

LOMBARD

How not to run local transport

BY COLIN JONES

THE LEADERS of the Greater London Council have only themselves to blame for the pickle they are now in over their transport budget. In order to reduce next year's budget by £21m, they are proposing to raise bus and tube fares next summer and to lop some £5m off the capital allocation for roads and London Transport; and, if the Government cannot be persuaded to come up with a bigger grant, to add at least another penny in the pound to next year's GLC rate precept. The impression has been created that only these moves will stem the Government's penny-pinching attitude to local transport but that the GLC has been valiantly standing up for Londoners by defying a Ministerial instruction to chop almost as much off the 1977-78 transport budget, an instruction which they say would lead to the decimation of London's public transport system.

Yet the rot really began some four years ago when the Labour ruling group decided to embark upon a cheap fares policy. They went ahead in spite of warnings about generalised subsidies not being the best way of supporting public transport. They ignored experience elsewhere showing that once a policy of holding fares below costs had been begun, it would be impossible to keep up without either eventually putting up fares much faster than prices generally or running up a subsidy bill which would eventually pre-empt the scope for increased spending on other items, including new investment in public transport.

Imagined

Because of the explosion in wage and other costs in 1974 and 1975, this "ratchet effect" has operated even more quickly than the GLC's critics imagined. The bus traveller in London is now paying in fares barely half the cost of his journey and the Underground user only about three-quarters. Each year is on average costing the taxpayer and ratepayer about 67p—or rather more than £120m, a year in all. This is before counting the cost of concessionary off-peak fares for old people. It does not allow for the fact that London Transport's capital debt was written off and that the present reduced level of new investment is being financed almost entirely by grant. It does allow, however, for the three rounds of fare increases amounting in all to just over 100 per cent, which the GLC was obliged to ask London Transport to make between April 1975 and July 1976.

London may have become the most glaring instance of the damage that can be caused by an ideological approach to the sus-

THE WEEK IN THE COURTS

When judges face dilemma on commercial decision

BY JUSTINIAN

WHENEVER businessmen turn to commercial arbitrators to settle their disputes, do they want them to decide any points of law that may arise to the exclusion of the ordinary courts of law? Or should such points of law be left ultimately to the courts to determine, and if necessary to overrule the awards of arbitrators?

If the commercial world is predictably divided on this issue, there is no unanimity among the judges on the point. Lord Denning is the proponent of the view that arbitration means leaving virtually all the issues—both legal and factual—to the arbitrators. Where there is a commercial document, drawn up by commercial men, to be applied to any dispute would doubtless prefer that the document should be interpreted by commercial men. This is because the non-lawyerly answer is more likely to accord with the views of commercial men generally.

When cases come to the courts, as they may do only by way of challenge on a point of law arising on an arbitrator's award, the courts face a dilemma. Lord Denning's view is that the courts should hesitate long and hard before interfering with decisions by commercial men, especially in respect of an isolated transaction based on commercial passing between the parties and where no lawyers were consulted or had any hand in the drafting of the documents.

Commercial men are probably better able to say what the parties meant than any lawyer not directly familiar with the particular type of commercial transaction. The commercial men are more in tune with market conditions, and their assessment of the commercial arrangements would be more generally respected than the legalistic and remote decisions of the courts.

The orthodox view is that if as a matter of law trade tribunals reach the wrong conclusion, it is not only right but also the duty of the courts to interfere. In other words, commercial men are desirous that all factual issues be determined exclusively by the arbitrators (which the courts are bound by statute to acknowledge is the proper view) but that on points of law the arbitrators are to be supervised by the courts.

This controversy among the judges was revived last week in the Court of Appeal in *Bunge S.A. v. Kruse* where fortunately all three judges thought that a trade umpire and five members of the Grain and Feed Trade Association had got the answer right.

At first blush the telex did not appear by any single word in it that it proposed a compromise of the whole claim in respect of the 700 tons; it only referred to 280 tons. But the court was persuaded to look beyond the mere language the parties had used in isolation of the commercial transaction. It was not right to give the words a legalistic meaning in total disregard of the commercial background of 1973.

Against that backdrop of uncertainty in the strict legal position and the vitally important market, the court felt compelled to say that as between two highly experienced merchants the telex message had to be construed as a compromise of their dispute and as the settlement of the whole claim by payment of a substantial sum, although made only by reference to a part of the goods contracted for. This departure from the strict legal construction of the document was sanctioned by a decision of the House of Lords earlier this year.

Lord Wilberforce had then said that contracts are not made in a vacuum; there is always a setting in which they have to be placed. In a commercial contract it is sensible and right that the court should know the commercial purpose of the contract, and this in turn presupposes knowledge of the genesis of the transaction, the background, the context and the market in which the disputants had been operating.

Once the commercial purposes of the transaction are revealed, the court is better able to interpret the meaning of the language employed by the parties in their bargain.

This approach would seem to be eminently acceptable by the commercial world, where their transactions are made without the intervention of legal draftsmen. As soon as lawyers are involved either at the stage of entering into contracts or more still in the process of deciding disputes when contracts are broken, legalism inevitably creeps in. There, the role of the courts in deciding the law becomes fudged.

Whenever lawyers are brought in by the parties to assist them in drawing up their contracts, commercial men can hardly complain if their resultant disputes are resolvable by the courts in the context of established rules of law.

The Times Law Report.
4 November 1976
*Heardon Smith Line Ltd. v. Hansen-Tangen (1976) 1 W.L.R. 989

SOCCER

BY TREVOR BAILEY

A ball-winner with bite

DERBY, WHO displayed so much skill earlier in the week to beat the beaten Derby, lacks the pace and vision of a true wing-half. Loftus Road on Saturday against Derby County, who are not only having a disappointing season, but were beaten at home by A.E.K. Athens and eliminated from the UEFA Cup.

The Midlands were so polished that it took some time to convince a visiting Continental journalist that he had not muddled the two clubs. It also provided yet another example of the hard competition existing in the First Division, which sees a side as good as Derby struggling to stay in the top flight.

The first half was very open with the Rangers producing occasional flashes of brilliance but unable to put their game together with any regularity. With too many passes 'way off target'.

The visitors were more composed until a defensive mix-up—stemming from lack of faith in their recalled keeper, Boulton, which ended with him bringing down Jones.

The Irish international converted the resulting penalty to give his side the lead they did not deserve.

Immediately after the interval, Rangers missed a fine opportunity to go further ahead after Bowler had slipped the left-back and crossed into the goal.

From then on, Derby dominated proceedings, largely as a result of midfield superiority. If their finishing had been more incisive and Parkes less agile, they would have been rewarded with more than the one goal from their right-back, Thomas.

Rangers were disappointed largely because their midfield trio were unable to supply their formidable front line with the service required, and their back four were under too much pressure to do much about it.

In contrast, Derby showed they are still a force to be reckoned with. They were not Nish, goalkeeping problems, and the absence of George.

They need another class striker to allow Riech to return to his best position as a goal-conscious half-back, while with Gemmell and Todd, the other members, would give his side just about the best midfield trio in the League.

Todd has been moved forward because Powell, who proved a most effective partner for the elegant McParland in the middle of the back four, lacks the pace and vision of a true wing-half.

Todd's virtues in his new role are considerable. The power and speed of his tackling is such that it not only enables him to win 90 per cent of 50-50 balls, but also worries his opponents by his persistence and presence. It was not mere coincidence that Masson, his opposite number, should have been so ineffective.

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Brighton shine

BRIGHTON, to-night, resume their League Cup battle with Derby County, having already knocked First Division clubs Ipswich and West Bromwich out of the competition.

On Saturday, they disposed of Swindon, one of the best in Division III, by 4-0 in another shattering, comprehensive performance.

Before the kick-off one read in the programme that Brighton had spent some £1,500 on a defibrillator—a piece of medical equipment to assist in treating heart-attack cases. It seemed to be an esoteric piece of information.

However, having witnessed the extremely exciting quality of Brighton's play, particularly the goals, I now respect the wisdom of their acquisition, which might well have been needed to deal with any spasm of nerves.

Brighton and Hove Albion are booming under the leadership of the confident Mr. Alan Mullery, formerly of Fulham, Tottenham and England. Despite a grey day of almost perfect rain they drew a crowd of 18,671, their third highest League gate of the season, and this crowd gave their heroes a deserved standing ovation.

Ward, Brighton's young scoring star, obtained his 15th goal of the season, and had another great game. He is slight and nimble, and revelled in the extremely heavy pitch. Highly impressive was the way he dove-tailed with the taller Mellor, and both balanced perfectly their own appetite for shooting with

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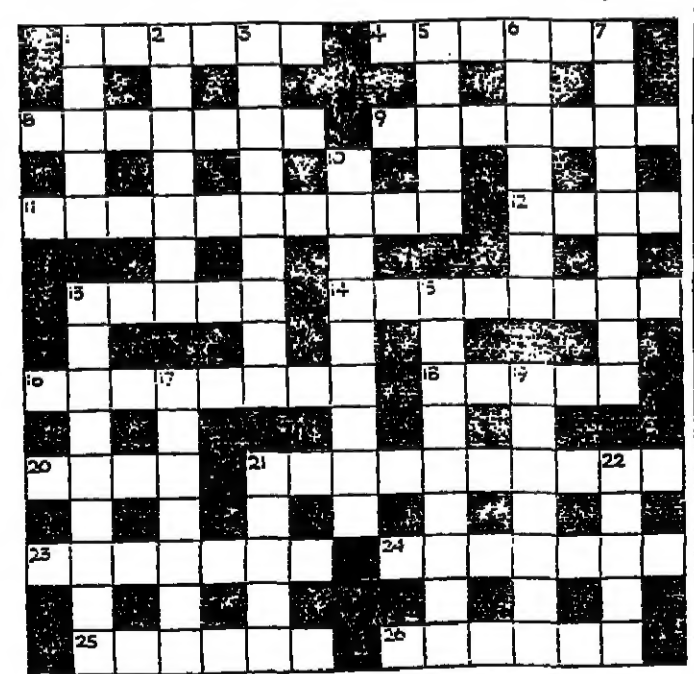
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BBC 1
9.25 a.m. For Schools, Colleges, 10.45 You and Me, 11.00 For Schools, 12.45 p.m. News, 1.00 Pebble Mill, 1.45 Chigley, 2.01 For Schools, 3.10 News, 3.20 Regional News (except London), 3.55 Play School, 4.20 Deputy Dave, 4.55 Jackanory, 4.40 Blue Peter, 5.05 John Craven's Newsround, 5.10 Go-U.S.A., 5.35 For the Engine, 5.40 News, 5.55 Nationwide, 6.50 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em, 7.50 Angels, 8.10 Panorama, 8.50 News.

BBC 2
9.25 The Monday Film: "Taking Off", 10.55 To-night including News Headlines and The Suez Affair, 11.25 Weather Regional News, All Regions as BBC-1 except at the following times—Wales, 12.45 p.m. Pili Pala, 1.25-2.55 For Schools, Let's Look At Wales, 3.55-4.50 Wales Today, 4.50-7.20 Heddiw, 11.25 News and Weather for Wales, 11.55-12.30 p.m. Reporting Scotland, 11.55 News and Weather for Scotland, 11.55 News and Weather for Northern Ireland, 11.55-12.30 p.m. Look On.

BBC 2
11.00 a.m. Play School, 11.25 p.m. Worldkiss, 11.30 p.m. The Caterers, 11.35 Politics Now, 11.40 News on 2 Headlines, 11.45 Knitting Fashion, 11.50 Newsday, 11.55 Max Bygraves Says "I Wanna Tell You A Story", 9.50 (C) Claudius, 9.55 Horizon—Billion Dollar Bubble: The Equity Funding Corporation and phoney insurance, 10.50 One More Time! 11.20 Late News on 2, 11.30-11.35 Close-down: Peter Jeffrey reads "Called For", by Anthony Thwaites.

F.T. CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 3229



- ACROSS**
- 4 Pop off to get a drink (2, 3, 1, 6)
 - Artistic pastiche takes office 50 years (7)
 - Calm down accountant entering consolation tournament (7)
 - Makes up correspondence on the job (2, 4, 4)
 - Experience not recorded (4)
 - Poles overreached with derisive remark (5)
 - Observers depressed by opening words at bingo (4, 4)
 - Letting payment become tearless (4, 4)
 - Bird to be sorry for is headed (5)
 - A lot of fish obtained on credit by a non-starter (4)
 - Flighty girl in uniform (3, 7)
 - Spanish general kept out of sight by student on leave (7)
 - More heavenly kind of prophet (7)
 - Cricketer who doesn't go off (6)
 - Order during depression (6)
- DOWN**
- Writer getting no credit or spirit (5)
 - Broken leg a fan ascribed to Spanish political party (7)
 - Man with the Rolls is a hospital doctor (9)
 - Hindrance at Lake Success being without a tenant (5)
 - Change of course was in front until brought down (7)
 - Intelligence of an oyster catcher (6, 3)
 - Become too discouraged to fall in love (4, 5)
 - Material not diluted by counsel (5, 4)
 - This could bring a sight better relief (3, 6)
 - Can town in Hert's produce such merchandise? (7)
 - Way out deserter takes part of rigging (7)
 - Point of view of early invader (5)
 - Used to make old Bob shut up (5)

The solution of last Saturday's prize puzzle will be published with names of winners next Saturday.

RUGBY

BY PETER ROBBINS

Saracens miss their chances

AFTER PARFREY had kicked three penalties for London Irish, and Croydon two for Saracens, Lockwood, Saracens' captain, commented adversely on the referee's ability and Parfrey added further fuel to the fire by kicking to the touch.

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Plenty of Nuttin'

by GEORGE OPPENHEIMER

Flowing closely on the heels of *My Darling Clementine*, which has been deservedly one of the st tickets in town, came a play that was not quite a *Robber Bridegroom* book and lyrics by Alfred and music by Robert man actually opened last n but for so limited a run few players were able to t. I was one of the lucky and I found it an enchanting entertainment. Now it has brought back and, although n in the minority, the intent has been partially nated in this New Broadway tation.

inally it was put on by excellent young group, John euan's Acting Company, was directed by Gerald tman. It told a fairy-tale d, adapted from a novella dora Welty, of a Natchez unity where a handsome r played his dishonest trade on the side, stole the hearts omen. One young girl in ular, posing as a maid of the woods (sometimes in the e), captivates him. He s her love and promises lf business with marriage eirress. What he does not e is that he is a thief and moid e, both in disguise. What is the fable beguiling is, not, not its plot, but the r in which it is done, ly, imaginatively and

happily, this second time eemed to me as if it as inative before. Freed has not cast it as well, with eception of Barry Bostwick e title role, and has end d it with more songs, more es and a broader treatment e heroine's stepmother. She ecomes a character so as to be charming. She aded me of a remark made ector to another super-

thyroid actress. "Don't just do something, stand there."

Nevertheless, *Robber Bridegroom* still retains much of its charm and, for those who have not seen it before, it should be a treat, especially as Bostwick is one of the most skilful, attractive and ingratiating actors in evidence.

David Storey's *The Farm* has come to us from your side and filled us with a combination of admiration and confusion. I had a rather bad time hearing the North-English accents of a company of American performers and, even had I heard every word clearly, I would still have liked to have asked the author (who sat only two seats away from me) more questions than would have been welcome. Notwithstanding my lack of understanding, it held and fascinated me somewhat in the manner of a Pinter play. It has been well acted, admirably directed by Marshall W. Mason and produced by the enterprising Circle Repertory Company, one of the very best of the off-Broadway groups.

I wish I could say as much for the American Place Theatre and its latest mishap, called Jack Gilder's *New Play*. *Rehearsal*, which seems to me somewhat immodest, and it is a play within a play in which pandemonium takes over. An ex-convict has written a prison drama that, in rehearsal, is being slowly but surely torn to pieces by director and actors, especially a militant black who wants to alter it into a social tract. Finally, amid the chaos, comes the lady producer to announce that she has been unable to raise the necessary funds and the play will have to be called off. It only that had happened at the beginning instead of at the end, the evening would have been a lot more rewarding.

As usually happens with the American Place, it is well enough acted but hardly seems worth the effort.

Another company which fails to please me is the Roundabout. This time it is, for no visible reason, putting on Shaw's *The Philanderer* which even he did not think much of. It was his second play, unlike Fanny's first, and it finds him singularly out of stride. The Roundabout has cast it well with Donald Madden and Cara Duff-MacCormick in the leading roles and an English director, Stephen Hollis, has staged it deftly. However, it needs more than good acting and direction to save it from drowning in a flood of verbiage and inaction. In short, this satire of the New Woman is Old Hat.

A playwright, Louis La Russo II (to none according to his estimate), wrote a play last season, entitled *Lampoon*, *Reunion* which some of the critics thought showed promise. I was not among them and my negative opinion has been confirmed by his latest offering, *Wheelbarrow Closures*. (He does have a penchant for unattractive titles.)

To herald this second item, Russo had an interview in the New York Times in which he stated bashfully: "In ten years time there will be no other writer in my league. I'll be the greatest writer of my time." Having now seen two of his out-put, I am more than willing to wait for this unlikely happening. *Wheelbarrow Closures* is about a super-salesman who is a walking example of the evils of super-salesmanship and of bad playwriting. For two acts he yells at his drunken wife and his relatively sober son and daughter and for the same two acts they yell back. They are all in loud voice.

Peter, the hero, is the same young publisher, easing his way out of marriage into universal detachment. He has the same schoolmaster brother (Charlie), the same wife (Hilary) with a lover concealed until near the end, the same young girl (Joanna) for a quick relief.

But the material is built up differently. Though the clever, abrasive dialogue disguises it as

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something else, *Dog Days* is really a sentimental piece about the quality of marriage, and adding an extra twist to the plot in the manner of Agatha Christie does not change it.

No harm in that. If we hadn't seen *Otherwise Engaged* (and despite its long run there may be some unhappy folk who haven't seen it) we should have acclaimed *Dog Days* as a serviceable romance. It has moments of genuine romantic passion—Charlie's admission, for example, of his long-concealed love for Hilary, which is beautifully played by Richard Wilson and Gayle Hunnicutt. Much of the dialogue sparks, and in Mr. Gray's familiar way, even though some of it suggests automatic writing, with Peter's inevitable misinterpretation of feed lines whenever there is a chance of a joke.

The form of the concert is, it seems, timeless: the miscellany of religious items preceding a one-act opera adaptation, with the boys in costume and thoroughly drilled into action; then the songs by Romantic composers, and finally the inevitable group of Anglo folk and Strauss songs. The sailor suits are unchanged; so is the tightly organised formation around the choirmaster (Peter Burian) at the piano, and the spick-and-span mastery of all the music by heart, and the stage management smoothly oiled down to the last well-choreographed bow from the waist. Even the coach-party audience is, apparently, identical with those of previous years.

But, lest the more sophisticated concert-goer come prepared to patronise the most important feature of the choir is, or so it seemed on Saturday evening, also unchanged: the radiant beauty of tone, possibly more radiant and beautiful than ever. In the unidomatic performance of the Britten *Missa brevis* that began the evening (with the Festival Hall organ just a few feet away, the substitute of plago accompaniment was a needless exhibition, the immediate, unmistakable revelation was of the firm, glowing alto line as core of a brilliant, glowing sonority.

Later in the evening, *Mountain nights*, a delicately atmospheric wordless Kodaly piece, with its single alto soloist gliding below poised harmonies, was a confirmation of the phenomenon—to ears accustomed to the alto line of a boy choir as politely concealed filling rather than focal point, the bronze ring and confidence are exhilarating. A pity that the formula programme into which the choir is trapped prevents its fullest exhibition. Would audiences really drop away if it were changed; particularly if the charade (this year, an adaptation of an Offenbach operette bouffe, was notably feeble) were dropped?

ELIZABETH FORBES

Oxford Playhouse

Dog Days

by B. A. YOUNG

In the published script of *Dog Days* (Eyre-Methuen, £1.50 paperback) Simon Gray reveals in a preface his reluctance to have the play performed. I'm with him there—not because there's all that much wrong with the play but because so much of its material has been taken out and used better in *Otherwise Engaged*.

Peter, the hero, is the same young publisher, easing his way out of marriage into universal detachment. He has the same schoolmaster brother (Charlie), the same wife (Hilary) with a lover concealed until near the end, the same young girl (Joanna) for a quick relief.

But the material is built up differently. Though the clever, abrasive dialogue disguises it as

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something else, *Dog Days* is really a sentimental piece about the quality of marriage, and adding an extra twist to the plot in the manner of Agatha Christie does not change it.

No harm in that. If we hadn't seen *Otherwise Engaged* (and despite its long run there may be some unhappy folk who haven't seen it) we should have acclaimed *Dog Days* as a serviceable romance. It has moments of genuine romantic passion—Charlie's admission, for example, of his long-concealed love for Hilary, which is beautifully played by Richard Wilson and Gayle Hunnicutt. Much of the dialogue sparks, and in Mr. Gray's familiar way, even though some of it suggests automatic writing, with Peter's inevitable misinterpretation of feed lines whenever there is a chance of a joke.

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New Victoria

Sailor

by ANTONY THORNCROFT

Sailor had better watch it. What began as the most enjoyable new group of 1975, breathing fresh, melodic airs into the turgid world of heavy rock, is in danger of being marooned in an equally sterile, if very different, desert.

The problem starts with the name. The story is that Sailor was formed in an Amsterdam bar and its music to date has been built round the sea-going adventures of lead singer and writer Georg Kajanus. For a time songs about the red-light districts of the world's ports and the girls that haunt them, made a nice change from the personal angst in much other contemporary music. But now Sailor seems to be captive on some dreary Flying Dutchman trip, churning out for eternity (for until its record company loses patience) Kajanus's distant, nautical memories.

The fact that the group exploits a nickelodeon, as well as its funny hats and rare instruments, also ensures a jangling sameness to its concerts, while Kajanus has a physical presence on stage but not much voice. This may be because Sailor's Friday night performances were the last of a long tour which has taken its toll in all. Sailor is an intriguing band, with some excellent songs, but boxed into a limited and unreal musical format.

Elizabeth Hall

Staffan Scheja

by DOMINIC GILL

The Swedish pianist Staffan Scheja was born in Stockholm in 1950, and won the International Busoni Competition in 1975. He is a talented young musician, and at his South Bank recital yesterday afternoon he gave eminently respectable performances of works by Grieg, Beethoven, Chopin and Musorsky—all of them good, but one in its own way strangely without individual voice, personal stamp: each a well-crafted performance, but given all the same without such supporting evidence of inner conviction, inner fire.

His account of Grieg's rarely played *Balade in G minor* op. 24 was strong-fingered and likeable—though a more mercurial, Cherkassian temperament might have called on a wider range of keyboard colour, and allowed somewhat more vivid melodramatic pointing, to more precisely he envied a *Bat* sonata op. 27 no. 1 of Beethoven was wholly amiable, wholly unassuming—dangerously so, for that deceptive "quasi una Fantasia" and for a Sunday afternoon.

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Festival Hall

Serkin

by MAX LOPPERT

If cycles of Beethoven symphonies and concertos there must be—and, each in turn, season after season, the non-BBC London orchestras come forward with their own version, with monotonous and (to the critic, at least) disquieting regularity—then let Rudolf Serkin always be present to take part in them. The genius of his playing, as it was experienced afresh in last night's performance of the G major piano concerto with the new Philharmonia Orchestra under Lorin Maazel, is to recreate the glorious importance of the music—as though there had not been thousands upon thousands of routine, fluent or even passably effective readings of it to dull its particular, special significance.

That first chord—a most remarkable start of any piano concerto, a simple tried softly seconded, without attack, an air of fresh, wondrous discovery. Very little about the playing, as such can be "explained," though details of mastery may be noted (such as the extraordinary relationships forged between the trills throughout the work, in colour and structural impact; or the melodic line that went on and on and on, over bar lines and above rhythmic patterns; or the sudden, massive, galvanic surges of energy in the tone). The effect of such note-taking must inevitably be to embroil an experience whose essence was its wholeness and simplicity. Tovey called the work an "audacious masterpiece of gigantic and inexhaustibly varied proportions." In this performance, we sensed anew the audacity, the gigantic size, the inexhaustible variety.

Lorin Maazel, a chameleon conductor, capable, in a single concert of inciting a rigid, unyielding first *Leonora* Overture (which began the evening) and a thrillingly bold and vibrant second *Leonora* (which closed it), was a devoted, sensitive accompanist. The orchestra's failure to repeat the sublime vision of Serkin's opening bars, in exact sequence of accents and dynamics, was a disappointment. Then the pianist's inspiration took hold and the exchange between soloist and orchestra was fiery. Earlier in the concert, the *B flat* concerto, filled with leonine roars and sudden gusts of hilarity, was also touched with passages of splashing and smugging. The music was by no means damaged; but it is the playing of the later concerto that will stay, whole in the memory.

vent Garden

The Invitation

by CLEMENT CRISP

re triple bill of MacMillan in repertory at Covent Garden was illuminated on Friday night by cast changes of more than usual interest. Dominating them, and not because of its value, was Lynn Hunt's assumption of the role in *The Invitation*. I convinced that Miss Seymour come on stage and bang into a piece of wood—and we believe that the action both beautiful and dramatic. ere is nothing wooden about *Invitation*, though, nor about the role of the Wife; it is a actor that has been given personal readings for some time. First—memories of Anne on and Anya Linden remain fully with us. Miss Seymour, course, makes it her own, ing stunning—it is hard to icile this mature, elegant s with the gasp. Young she had been in the same t the week before—Miss our revealed all the Wife's air and frustration, and that compassion, which is ntral to the character as she les (though how dif- itly!) the Boy and the Husband.

band. It is a subtly judged performance, and one in which the moments of immobility or repose are most effective, whether when trying to ignore the husband's advances to the young girl at the dancing party, or waiting for the Boy to place his hand on her breast.

The other principle were no less impressive. Alvin Thorogood's classic purity and sensitive dramatic gifts made the Girl more obviously vulnerable than usual; the almost plaintive innocence of manner—and the sweet flashes of humour—served to real intensity after the rage of Derek Deane, in a debut performance, made the Boy a bewildered, and unsure figure, and all the more sympathetic for it. David Draw, an artist who is rarely seen in "dark" roles, though his Satan in *Job* and his Hilary in *Invitation* are exceptional, is an outstanding Husband, able to bring off the final scene of remorse without a trace of melodramatics.

Two other interpretations must be praised: Julia Wood's brooding, watery Governor, and Anne Jenner's acrobat, also-

lutely exact in catching the role's sexual vulgarity. In the opening *Rituals* I admired particularly Michael Coleman's tightly focussed strength as the neophyte of the first scene, and in *Ekke* Syncope, the same company celebrated Guy Fawkes and their own brand of pyrotechnics. The male quartet to the Hot house Rag (Coleman, Eagling, Sleep, Molyneux) exceeded all previous speed records; Monica Mason flirted with the entire auditorium in *Calliope Rag*; and David Wall and Jennifer Penney gave the finest account yet of the *Bethena Waltz*. Mr. Wall was cool, calm, and slyly witty (his puppet in *Rituals*, earlier in the evening, projects feeling to meanness effect: what a Petrushka he would make); Miss Penney has such ease and physical elegance that her dancing seems the prettiest and most natural thing in the world. The programme, incidentally, is the best designed in the current repertory: Nicholas Georgiadis, Yolande Sonnabend and Ian Springall deserve all our gratitude.

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Vienna Boys' Choir

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Young Sibelius

us Volume 1: 1885-1905 by Tawaststjerna. Faber, £50, 316 pages

ik Tawaststjerna's monumental biography of his com-ot Jean Sibelius, will even- run to five volumes in the lesh edition; the author, how- been Swedish-speaking. From the ne in that language, an gement of the first two in sh, has also been published. The English edition, again ed. Robert Layton, has his fluent translation direct the original Swedish text, a general who, though born a porating some new material.

Consequently the three editions differ from each other quite considerably—complexities are typical of a country where two languages and two cultures exist side by side, as they do in Finland. Sibelius himself came from a family (originally named Sibbe) that several generations had been Swedish-speaking. From the age of eight Jean (christened Johan, like his grandfather and uncle, and usually known as Janne) attended a Finnish-speaking school. His wife, Aino Kjerfveit, was the daughter of a general who, though born a member of the Swedish-speaking

aristocracy, was a fanatical supporter of the Finnish language cause. Sibelius's letters to Aino during their engagement are in Swedish; many of the later ones after their marriage are partly or wholly in Finnish. This volume, covering the first 40 years of the composer's life, deals with the first two symphonies, the violin concerto—Sibelius had originally wanted to be a violin virtuoso, but was neither quite good enough, nor willing to work hard enough to achieve this ambition—and many of the more popular Suites, shorter pieces and songs. There are graphic accounts of the genesis of *Kullervo*, his symphonic poem based on the Finnish epic the *Kalevala*, and of *The Building of the Boat*, an abortive music drama also derived from the *Kalevala*.

The picture of contemporary cultural life in Finland, and in Berlin and Vienna where Sibelius studied, is particularly fascinating. During the late 1880s, when he was a student at Helsinki, his circle of close friends included Busoni, then teaching at the Musik-Institute there; his future brothers-in-law, Armas, Arvid and Eero Järnefelt, respectively musician, writer and painter; Adolf Paul, whose play *King Christian II* occasioned the incidental music, and who also wrote a novel in which Sibelius appears thinly disguised as the composer Sillén; and Juhana Aho, another writer whose novel *Aino* contains a portrait of Aino Järnefelt.

Sibelius was chronically short of money, which he spent with great prodigality whenever he had any, he taught for a time, but failed to obtain a University post. Finally the government awarded him a small pension. After his marriage to Aino he endeavoured to give up the dissipated life that he had led as a bachelor, but could not always keep to his good intentions. A scintilla man, he enjoyed the convivial stag sessions at the Kamp Hotel in Helsinki. Aino bore it stoically, but "a woman's temperament," she wrote in 1904, "can't cope with all the turbulent ups-and-downs of a creative artist's temperament." She continued to cope for another 33 years, which will be described in the second and longer volume of Tawaststjerna's engrossing book.

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Rhodesia: War the only way, say African states

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

THE FIVE "front line" black African states this week-end gave strong support to guerrilla war in Rhodesia in a statement which appeared to leave little hope that the Geneva conference could achieve a negotiated settlement.

The five states, Tanzania, Mozambique, Angola, Botswana and Zambia held a two-hour summit meeting here yesterday and then issued a strongly worded call for guerrilla war to achieve black majority rule and independence in Rhodesia.

The five states held their meeting to discuss mainly the Rhodesian attacks against nationalist guerrillas in Mozambique last week. Their statement said angrily that they would regard attacks on any one of the group as aggression against all of them.

But perhaps the most significant clause in the seven-point statement said they were committed to support the armed struggle for the liberation of Zimbabwe as the only means by which the independence of that colony can be achieved and the permanent source of aggression—colonialism—can be removed.

The front line group, which is ranged against the white minority government in

Rhodesia, had declared that war was the only way to majority rule in the colony for some time before the Kissinger shuttle mission to Africa. But they had apparently been willing to give the Geneva conference a chance to solve the problem through negotiations.

The tough statement issued yesterday indicated that they were disillusioned with the conference and were returning to their previous hard line position.

They did not, however, call for the nationalists to leave Geneva—it is believed they would prefer to blame the collapse of the conference on Mr. Smith.

However they did use all the old rhetoric to describe Western manoeuvres and alleged bad motives.

The five states also asked for diplomatic and material support for the liberation of southern Africa from African, non-aligned and Socialist countries.

Our Salisbury correspondent reports: The Rhodesian Government dismissed as "without foundation" claims by Mozambique that Rhodesian troops are "ramped" in the neighbouring territory after their raids last week.

A spokesman referred to an

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official statement last Thursday that all Rhodesian troops who took part in the two-day operation to hit guerrilla bases in Mozambique had returned to Rhodesia.

A white Rhodesian soldier and eight guerrillas have been killed during the past two days, security forces headquarters announced in a communiqué here today.

The communiqué said two black civilians were killed when guerrillas ambushed their vehicle and in another incident guerrillas robbed a mission of a large amount of money.

Guerrilla activity in the north-west of the country has forced the postponement of an international golf tournament which was to have started at Victoria Falls on Thursday.

Reuter reports from Maputo: The Mozambique army has regained control over all three provinces of the country attacked a week ago by Rhodesian forces, the official Mozambique news agency said here today. In the northernmost Tete province, the army had repulsed the invading forces and put them to rout, the agency said. It said eight Mozambique soldiers, including two women, were killed by the Rhodesians in the province.

£3.4m fine in Italy on capital held abroad

By Tony Robinson

A GENOA court this week-end fined £3.4m a company, member of one of the country's most important shipping and insurance companies, for failing to pay a £3.4m fine for illegally holding capital abroad.

The trial and sentence has been watched with considerable interest here because it is the first case to be brought under the terms of Law 159 introduced in March this year which provides heavy fines and lengthy jail sentences for the illegal export of capital and the illegal possession of funds outside Italy.

The prosecution had asked for a two-year jail sentence and £3.4m. fine for each of the accused but the presiding judge, while finding them guilty, waived the jail sentence as it was their first offence.

Ordered to pay £3.4m. and his managing director another £1.5m. plus confiscation of the £1.07m. illegally deposited in foreign accounts in Paris, Antwerp and Lugano.

Comitas is primarily a marine insurance company based in Genoa but with three foreign subsidiaries in the above-mentioned cities into whose accounts were paid insurance premiums on policies taken out by Comitas.

The Italian Finance Guards (Guardia di Finanza) revealed the existence of larger amounts in parallel accounts formally controlled by Comitas local representatives but practised by the Genoa head office. The defence, while criticising the alleged lack of clarity and precision in Law 159, contended that the company had acted in good faith. It had also collaborated completely with the investigation.

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WORLD TRADE NEWS

China looks West again

BY COLINA MACDOUGALL

CHINA'S new Chairman, Hua Guofeng, seems to have lost no time in starting to dissipate the stagnation that has hung over Chinese trade and economic policies since the death of Chou En-lai last January.

After a dormant period, China has just bought 1.5m-1.6m. tons of finished steel from Japan for delivery during the remainder of the year, and the Japanese are expected to sell more next year. Though the start of the Canton Fair was quiet, the Chinese said on the occasion of its opening that they intend, in the words of Chairman Mao, to "resume and expand" their foreign trade.

Since then the People's Daily has indicated that China would revert to the policies for industrialisation outlined last year by Premier Chou. Essentially, this means a return to large purchases of sophisticated foreign technology.

The difficulty is just how China can afford it. Although the rise of the radical "gang of four" in 1974 helped to bring about a reduced Chinese buying for materials to pay for technology imports, there were also good economic reasons for the reduction. China was running up a large deficit because western industrial and slumped had raised prices for its industrial imports and destroyed markets for its agricultural exports. Its oil exports were meeting trouble because the quality was low.

The Chinese Foreign Trade Ministry seems to have tackled the problem by keeping imports in 1975 to much the same level as in 1974, but cutting less essential imports and searching for new exports. The various western estimates of China's trade more or less agree that last year Peking managed to cut the deficit of its non-Communist trade from \$1.2bn.

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in 1974 to about \$500m. CIA analysts estimate that last year's global trade was only very little above 1974's, reaching \$14.3bn. compared to \$14bn. Half-year figures for this year suggest that the same policy has been in force; projections from available figures indicate a rise of only about 7 per cent this year, most of which is due to inflation.

Within this fairly constant still, it is believed that the Chinese have made considerable shifts to gain the maximum advantage. As their of years ago to around \$1.5bn.

Political changes in China may have fundamental effects on its trade policy, possibly creating a far greater demand for Western products.

harvests have improved, grain imports have been dropping. China's steel and other industrial imports have much winter appear to confirm that. As a result, imports from the U.S., Canada, and Australia have fallen, while those from West Germany, France and Italy have risen. Japan, which has been a major supplier of raw materials to pay for technology imports, there were also good economic reasons for the reduction. China was running up a large deficit because western industrial and slumped had raised prices for its industrial imports and destroyed markets for its agricultural exports. Its oil exports were meeting trouble because the quality was low.

The Chinese Foreign Trade Ministry seems to have tackled the problem by keeping imports in 1975 to much the same level as in 1974, but cutting less essential imports and searching for new exports. The various western estimates of China's trade more or less agree that last year Peking managed to cut the deficit of its non-Communist trade from \$1.2bn.

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The domestic economy is doing quite well, though the earthquake last July will have set back the current year's growth. Analysts in Washington estimate that last year China's GNP rose 6 per cent, with grain production at 260m. tons, but steel up to 26m. tons from 23.2m. in 1974, coal up to 427m. tons from 389m., oil to 74.5m. tons from 65.3m., and chemical fertiliser 1.2m. tons from 29.9m.

That means that, with the new depletion of steel which may be needed for post-earthquake reconstruction, China could without purchases of some items on the switch the money to imports of equipment. Its grain needs seem unlikely to exceed 2m. tons annually in future, compared to imports of about 3.5m. in 1975. Chemical fertilisers, which have featured among Chinese imports for many years and last year totalled about 3.5m. tons, could drop off steadily as the new foreign plants under construction in China gradually come on stream next year and beyond.

Even steel imports could fall the year after next, when China's own investment in the industry and the imported German and Japanese finishing complex come into operation.

The cuts in grain purchases from 3.5m. to 2m. tons could save the Chinese approximately \$875m. or more, depending on the world price. Estimated steel purchases for this year are 3m. tons; if this was reduced by half they could save another \$400m. or so. Cutting their chemical fertiliser purchases by the same amount would give them \$150m. Their domestic economy seen likely to be able to support

HOME NEWS

Small businesses need change in tax climate'

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL STAFF

A DECLINE of small businesses in Britain will continue as the climate in which they operate is radically changed, claims a report published today.

The report, which calls for reform of company and a major restructuring of taxation system, including a uniform income tax, is a report by Mr. Graham Bannock of the Economists' Group on behalf of the Anglo-German Foundation for Study of Industrial Society.

The process of rationalisation and concentration of industry in Britain has gone much further than in most other countries, might have been a factor in the U.K.'s poor economic growth record.

The elimination of variety that took place when one large company took over a number of small ones and discontinued certain lines of production only promoted growth in the rest of the economy, it is argued.

There would be an extra 125,000 jobs in the country if only 5,000 of the 20,000 or so

small manufacturing companies which had disappeared since the war had been replaced by new ones, at an average of 25 employees each.

Countries which had taken steps to foster small businesses, such as the U.S., Japan and West Germany, were among those which had managed to achieve a high, long-term economic growth rate.

The report studies two industrial sectors, brewing and baking, in which Germany has far more small companies than the U.K. In brewing, Germany has some 1,700 breweries compared with 160 in Britain and its output is about 50 per cent. higher than Britain's.

Labour productivity, even in Germany's small breweries, tends to be higher than the British average, demonstrating that high output per man and rapid technological and structural change are consistent with a major role for small firms.

The study concludes that the U.K. tax system is reinforcing natural tendencies towards concentration and that economic performance could be improved by encouraging small business.

Race bias wasteful says Lord Salmon

DISCRIMINATION

against coloured immigrants in the U.K. represents a form of social and economic waste which Britain cannot afford, Lord Salmon stated in Liverpool at the weekend.

Lord Salmon, chairman of the Royal Commission on Standards of Conduct in Public Life, who was delivering the first Sir George Bean Memorial lecture, called for a determined effort to ensure fair and equal treatment for all people in Britain regardless of race, colour or ethnic origins.

He was also strongly critical of suggestions that cash incentives should be used to persuade immigrants to leave the country.

"It is unthinkable that we should adopt the shameful policy of uprooting these people's lives

Shipbuilding plea sent to Varley

By Our Dartington Correspondent

A QUICK DECISION on the location of British Shipbuilders' new headquarters is urged by the Northern Economic Planning Council in a letter to Mr. Eric Varley, Industry Secretary.

Mr. Colin Baker, chairman of the council, said it was seriously concerned at the Government delay in announcing a decision and by local reports that the headquarters may now be built in London.

"The Government has already stated that the controlling body of the nationalised shipbuilding industry should locate its headquarters in an assisted area having a tradition of shipbuilding."

"The North East has one of the most concentrated, efficient and profitable shipbuilding, ship repairing and marine engineering industries in the country."

Mr. Varley is expected to announce the Government's decision before the end of the Parliamentary session in 15 days time.

United Glass cuts plastics division staff by 400

BY KENNETH GOODING, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

ABOUT 400 workers will be made redundant after the reorganisation of the plastics division of United Glass, which had to go in the next six months.

There have been 15 redundancies at the United Glass head office in Feltham, Middlesex.

The changes in United Glass closures and plastics division are intended to put the emphasis of the sales effort on the three main product groups—metal, plastic and cork—instead of the various end-user markets, such as beverages and pharmaceuticals, as in the past.

By next March the manufacturing changes should be completed. All metal products will be made at the Bridge of Allan plant in Scotland, all cork products at Millwall in London and all plastic products at Norwich.

The Norwich factory has also been reorganised. This has resulted in 70 permanent and 80 temporary employees.

Economic indicators due to be published this week

BY PETER RIDDELL, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

SEVERAL IMPORTANT indicators of the state of the economy are due to be announced this week as the International Monetary Fund negotiating team continues its talks with the Treasury on the terms of the \$3.9bn. loan Britain is seeking.

Figures for the wholesale and retail price indices, the current account of the balance of payments in October and industrial production in September are due.

The inflation outlook is now much more gloomy than earlier in the year because of the sharp fall in sterling. The recent drop in the pound is likely to mean that the index for the cost of industry's basic materials and fuels will have risen by a large amount again last month, after the increase of nearly 3½ per cent in September. (The wholesale price index is due to be announced this afternoon.)

The earlier rise in raw material costs is now working through both to prices charged at the factory gate and to the retail price index.

In both cases, the year-on-year rate of increase has edged up over the last two months and little improvement is foreseen even by the Government in the underlying rate of price inflation until well into next year.

In the year to mid-September the cost of living rose by 14.3 per cent. The recent fall in the pound could also affect the October trade figures (due on Friday afternoon shortly after publication of the retail price index).

The trade figures since July have shown a very sluggish export volume performance; while there are hopes that this may improve, few in the City are expecting a significant immediate narrowing of the current account deficit from the September figure of £205m.

Fraser deals report near

By Margaret Reid

THE STOCK EXCHANGE inquiry into share deals in Scottish and Universal Investments by Sir Hugh Fraser, the company's chairman, and other directors is expected to be completed in the second half of this month.

The inquiry has been presided over by Mr. David LeRoy-Lewis, a former deputy chairman of the exchange, who last Monday interviewed Sir Hugh in Glasgow.

Unlike the results of many Stock Exchange inquiries the report from this one is almost certain to be published after it has been submitted to the exchange's council.

Observer negotiations at more cautious pace

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL STAFF

NEGOTIATIONS for the purchase of the Observer are moving at a more cautious pace following the withdrawal of Miss Sally Aw Sian, the Hong Kong newspaper owner.

It appears Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, the former Labour MP, has approached the paper. His commercial printing group, Woodrow Wyatt Holdings, became a public company three years ago.

Philip Bowring writes from Hong Kong: Miss Aw's Sing Tao newspaper group announced here at the week-end that it was no longer involved or interested in negotiations concerning the purchase of or participation in the Observer. A bid had seemed unlikely.

Halve public borrowing to hold back money supply—NatWest

FINANCIAL TIMES REPORTER

A PUBLIC-SECTOR borrowing requirement needs to be reduced sharply in order to keep U.K.'s money supply growth line with the rates imposed in the next few years, it is said in the latest issue of the Journal Westminster Bank Review.

Mr. David Kern, manager of bank's economic analysis section, says the requirement needs to be reduced to some £4.5-£4.8bn. over the next five years in order to keep the growth of money supply down.

He implies a substantial cut in the revised expectation of £10.5bn. in Saturday's Financial Times. The bank's requirement for next year and even from the vantage of £9bn., on which Mr. Kern was working.

He maintains that the U.K. economic system "now contains potentially strong built-in inflationary forces, which make it realistic, and indeed dangerous, to aim for an over-ambitious target for reducing inflation. It would seem, however, to aim for an average rate of inflation of some 10-11 per cent over the next five years, but with a steady downward trend to a level of 8-9 per cent by the end of the decade."

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To achieve such a monetary target a reduction in borrowing is advocated in the borrowing requirement to an average of some £4.5-£4.8bn.

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(2.7 per cent of GNP) over the next five years.

Historically, the private sector's financing has largely offset its borrowing from the banking sector. However, unless bank lending to persons and companies is allowed to exceed their contribution to the financing of the requirement by at least £1.5bn. per annum (0.7 per cent of the GNP) in the next five years, some legitimate financial requirements of the private sector will almost certainly be frustrated.

In a critique of Labour Party arguments for nationalising the banks Dr. David Lomax, the bank's economic adviser, says: "The whole argument is based on an oft-repeated fallacy about the way in which the economy works."

Responsibility for directing and managing any manufacturing company, he argues, must lie with the Board of Directors and management; decisions are taken by them and cannot be taken elsewhere.

Attempts to apply coercive pressure may prove counter-productive, and to think of using the financial system to put pressure on industry and commerce is an abdication by Government of its true responsibility to formulate policies that lead to the desired voluntary co-operation.

His second point is the repeated but erroneous criticism of the banks that they have not committed adequate funds to industry on a medium-term basis. In fact he maintains the equivalent of about one-fifth of current accounts is permanently committed to special schemes supporting exports and shipbuilding.

Call for incentives or skilled staff

FINANCIAL TIMES REPORTER

A NEXT stage of the pay to the difficulties posed by the high cost of finance and the low return on capital being earned by many concerns.

It suggests cuts in expenditure and firm control of the money supply will have to be implemented by the Government regardless of the conditions of any loan from the International Monetary Fund.

Brokers in court this week

By Margaret Reid

HEARING of the charges against seven partners and the managing clerk of the collapsed stockbroking firm of Chapman and Rowe could be purely formal this week, since the defence may seek an adjournment further to prepare their case.

The eight, whose firm was hammered in April 1974 with a deficit of £2m., are due to appear at Guildhall on Wednesday. They are: Victor Thomas Andrews, Michael Childs Waller, John Maxwell Gordon, Ralph Clarke, Alan Harman, George Edward Miller, John Michael Goodsell and Herbert Neville Palaret.

The charges allege that they conspired together between September 1, 1973, and April 2, 1974, to defraud clients of the firm by using without authority stocks and shares belonging to clients as security for loans granted to the firm and some of its partners by banks and other financial institutions.

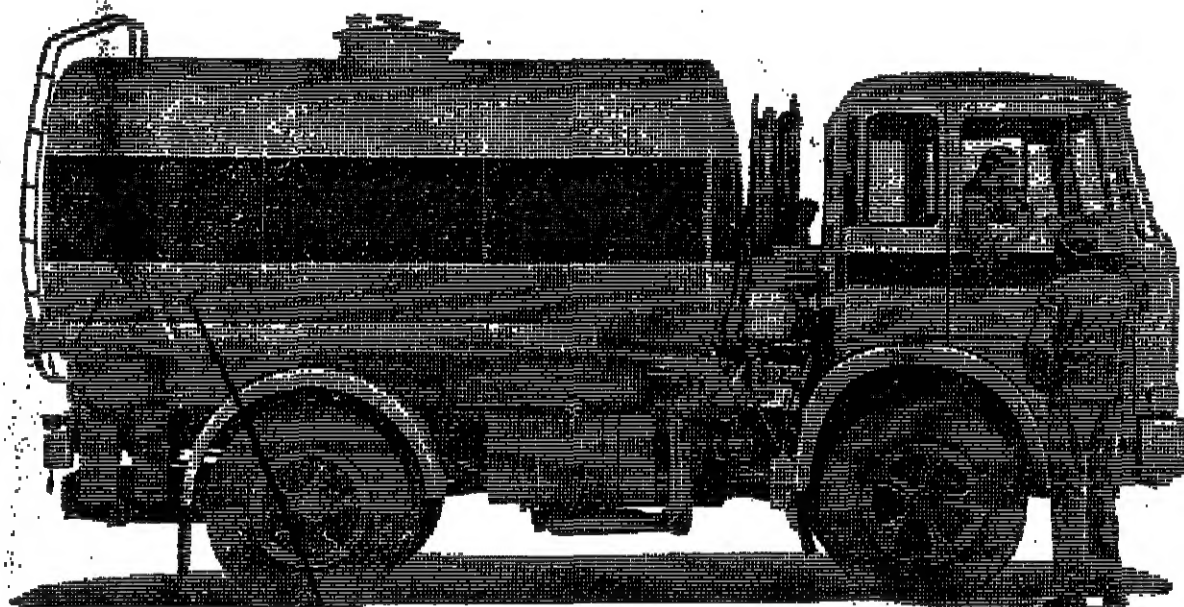
This was also allegedly done "by the misuse of monies received by the said firm, by the misdescription in the books and other records of the said firm of the uses to which such monies were put, and by diverse and other fraudulent tricks and devices."

The eight accused were remanded on £15,000 bail each until November 10 when they appeared at Guildhall on September 10.

OBITUARY

F. J. Parsons

Mr. FREDERICK J. PARSONS, chairman of magazine publishers Morgan Grampian, died at the week-end aged 75 at his home in Cattsfield, Surrey. He was a former chairman of F. J. Parsons, which published Kent and Sussex weekly newspapers.

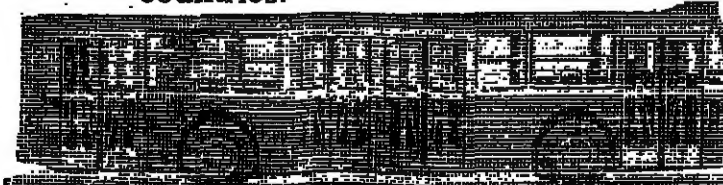


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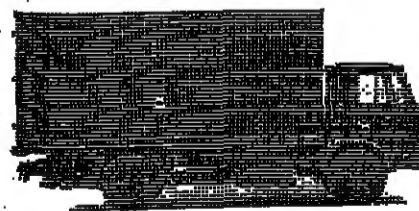
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Building and Civil Engineering

Curf in airyland

A long period of negotiations has been in connection with the use of a 75-acre site of Andersen's World Amusement Park at Herning, Jutland, Denmark.

The cost of the project will be £10m. The stories of the Christian Andersen will be the theme and the park will include reproductions of Andersen's houses which are to be prefabricated in the factory. Andersen's World Amusement Park at Herning, Jutland, Denmark.

1/2m. homes hard to jewellyn

THE TOWN OF one, two and three storey houses is called for a £3m. contract awarded by Jewellyn Construction by Borough Development Corporation. The company will use a timber frame shell, built at its Bleak Hall, Keynes factory.

The houses to be built are a number of old people's flats in blocks of eight. These will be situated around courtyards in the front and rear garden.

The site is about two miles west of Peterborough City, flanked by the great Soke road and Breilton Way.

g Top r British nius

S AND WILL Building has awarded a contract worth £1m. to construct a 39 diameter tent, supported by 40 metre high fabricated mast, on the site of the old air on the western side of sea Park in London.

"Big Top" tent is to be an exhibition, "British", organised by the John Foundation, and due to be opened between May and next year.

In addition to the main tent is foundations, there will be entrance canopy, a small tent and an auditorium tent. Installation of external paving, fenced landscaping works are included in the contract.

The floor area provided for exhibition will be in the of 1,200 square metres. Main canvas envelope. Moorcraft adds another 50 will weigh about 24 tonnes and will vary in height from

Department store job for Laing

DEBENHAMS has awarded a £3.8m. contract to John Laing Construction to build a store at Swansea. It has been designed by the Building Design Partnership and work has just started.

The store will extend Swansea's main shopping area. Its south entrance will front Garden Street while across the street will be a council multi-storey car park with direct links into the store at first floor level. A new bus terminal is being built immediately next to the west entrance.

The store will have three

Fairclough contracts

LARGEST OF several contracts awarded to Fairclough is for the building of 157 dwellings at Blackley for Birmingham District Council. This is valued at £1m.

For Liverpool City Council, Fairclough is to rehabilitate 77 dwellings at Finch House, Linbridge Road at a cost of £400,000. While a similar operation is to be undertaken for Manchester City Council for which the company is to update cottage-type dwellings at Blackley under a £700,000 contract.

The pre-cast concrete tunnel lining manufacturing subsidiary of Fairclough, C. V. Buchan (Concrete) has received orders worth £450,000 for bolted type tunnel segments.

AERIAL SURVEY

Sideways look at Nigeria

ALL NIGERIA, a total of 924,000 square km., is to be covered in a unique airborne survey by Hunting Geology and Geophysics of Britain.

The technique to be used—side-looking radar—is largely employed for military applications. It will give an image of the terrain covered which is in many ways superior to the best airborne mapping techniques.

The technology originated in the U.S. and so far, there are only two civil aircraft in the world equipped to carry out such surveys. Both are American. It is therefore exceptional to find a company outside the U.S. which is not only willing but able to do advanced work of this kind.

Radar imagery and multi-spectral photography is the concern of a subsidiary of the Motorola company, which has con-

tracted directly with the Nigerian Government.

The reason for using side-looking radar is the need, in Nigeria especially, to carry out survey work looking straight through cloud.

Hunting will work with AERE Harwell on analysis of the images picked up by the surveying aircraft, through computer interpretation.

Hunting already has senior staff in the field collecting essential ground-based data for this project, which is worth several thousand pounds to the U.K. company.

FAO has also placed a contract with the company to provide an interpretation of the "Landat" imagery of the Nigerian country side.

For the time being, the major

emphasis of this work is on the exploitation of forest areas in this vast country. But the vegetation analyses will undoubtedly yield some data on what the Nigerian subsoil contains in the way of minerals and it can only be a question of time before the Nigerian authorities decide on a complementary survey to the present one and which will involve airborne geomagnetic studies.

A comprehensive training programme for Nigerian Department of Forestry staff is in the offing, as is the establishment of a remote sensing division in this Department, both under Hunting's wing.

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Estate development in Canada

THE TORONTO office of George Wimpey has announced that it has won four contracts in Canada.

Together they are worth £1.7m. and are mainly in connection with private estate development.

The largest, £530,000, is from the Ramalac Group at Carlton Village, Toronto, and the next largest, £400,000, is from Peterborough, Ontario.

The other contracts are for roads, sewerage and services for Kingsway Transport at Mississauga, Ontario (£230,000) and for a small job for Amey Developments at Stony Creek, Ontario (£60,000).

IN BRIEF

A £1.1m. supermarket is being built at Woking, Surrey, by Headway Construction Co. for Fine Fare. Headway is also building 92 houses and flats for Welwyn Hatfield District Council at Welwyn Garden City, Herts., at a cost of £1.05m.

Mears Construction has been awarded a £1.1m. contract for 114 dwellings at Calmore by Southampton City Council.

The Souththorpe Branch of British Steel Corporation's construction engineering subsidiary, Redpath Dorman Long, is to supply 500 tonnes of steel in the form of 5 tonne girders for

Modernising London offices

TROLLOPE and Collis has been awarded a £1.8m. contract to carry out refurbishment and modernisation of the Provident Mutual Life Assurance Association building at 25-31, Moorgate, London, E.C.2.

Two back-to-back buildings with elevations in Moorgate and Coleman Street linked by covered bridges on each floor are involved. The bridges will be demolished and a link block formed.

Architects are Douglas Marriott Worby and Robinson.

Industrial units and housing

MARSHALL Construction Group of Eland, Yorks, has won contracts valued at over £1m.

At Halifax, Marshall is to build 84 dwellings, worth £418,000 for The World of Property Housing Trust of London, and at Brighouse a £210,000 factory extension is to be built for Wire Products.

Central Lancashire Development Corporation has also awarded the company a further phase of nursery factory units, to be built at Walton Summit, near Preston, at a cost of £528,000.

Factories in Scotland

TWO ADVANCE factory blocks, providing 6,336 square metres of space, are to be built at Irvine, Ayrshire. The contract, worth £528,000, has been placed with Gilbert Ash Scotland, a Bovis company, by Irvine Development Corporation.

Work has already started at Northburn Industrial Estate on the north side of the town and the contract is expected to be completed in 43 weeks. The buildings will have asbestos roofs and external walls of brick and metal cladding.

Mixture of jobs won by Cartwright

SEVERAL contracts have been awarded to companies in the Cartwright Group.

The larger ones have gone to Davies, Middleton and Davies the Cardiff based civil engineering and piling company, recently acquired by Cartwright. Three

main contracts now under way are the Llantwit Major bypass for South Glamorgan County Council, estimated to cost over £1.1m., construction of a bridge at Lndlow for British Rail valued at £327,000, and fencing and dredging works at the West Dock, Bristol for the Port of Bristol Authority costing about £750,000.

Cartwright says its Northern Division has been awarded more than £1m. of house improvement contracts, among which are 44 dwellings for the Harrogate District Council, 69 dwellings for the Bradford Metropolitan District Council and 150 dwellings for the Metropolitan Borough of Calderdale.

Hastings town centre scheme

WITHIN the next six months, APC International intends to present the findings of a feasibility study of a town centre redevelopment scheme for Hastings Borough Council.

The study is being undertaken in consortium with BFP Partnership, Galbraith Huot and Partners, Andrew Mawson and Partners, and Sir Robert McAlpine and Sons.

It is intended that preliminary negotiations will also take place with potential tenants and possible sources of long-term funding.

From library to bank

THE FORMER borough library in High Street, Kensington, London, built in 1882, is to be converted for occupation by Bank Mellie Iran. Bovis Construction (P & O Group) has won the contract worth about £520,000.

In 25 weeks, Bovis expects to carry out extensions, refurbish the interior, build a vault and install services. Opposite the Bank Mellie site Bovis is constructing a new store for Marks and Spencer.

Dwellings in the South

NEW BUILDING starts since May logged by W. J. Simms Sons and Cooke (Southern) have gone over the £12m. mark, with the most recent announcement of a housing scheme contract to the value of £775,000 for the Borough of Reigate and Banstead.

Under it, some 83 housing units are to be built for the Waterford housing scheme at Tadworth, Surrey. It covers 27 flats, 18 senior citizen apartments and 38 houses and it will be completed around June, 1978.

Quantity surveyors are Hawkes and Braby.

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£1 1/2m. worth for Wates

TWO LOCAL authority housing contracts, together worth more than £1.5m. have been won by Wates Construction from the London Boroughs of Hillingdon and Waltham Forest.

The £975,386 Waltham Forest contract covers the construction of 77 three-storey houses and garages—plus a pumping station—at Triggs Farm, Durban Road, Walthamstow.

A £569,567 contract from the London Borough of Hillingdon covers the construction of 66 dwellings, in 11 blocks, to house 182 people. Seven basic designs are included in the two- and three-storey blocks which are to be of traditional load-bearing cross-wall construction.

Industrial complex in Saudi Arabia

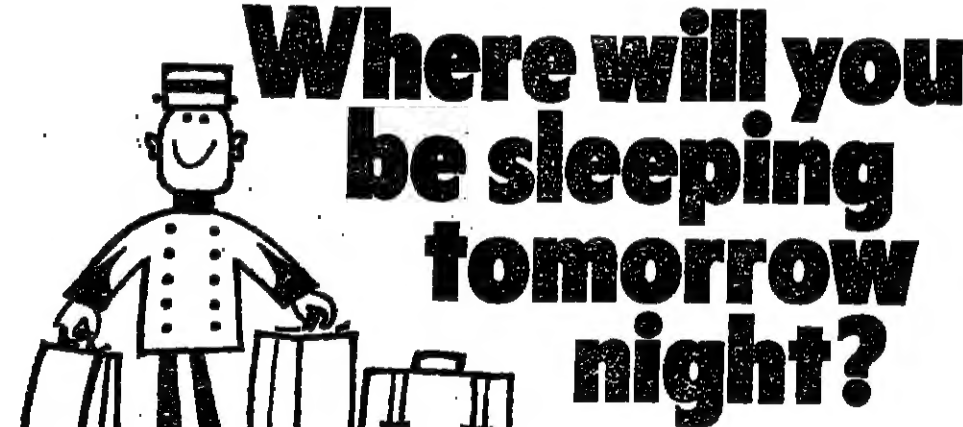
SAUDI ARABIA'S Royal Commission has retained Davies and Moore to undertake geotechnical and meteorological studies with a view to the subsequent development of a major industrial complex by the Red Sea at Yanbu.

The studies are to establish baseline data for the setting up of a new community of 200,000 people to support the complex which will cover about 40 square kilometres.

This complex, and a similar industrial development of 80 square kilometres at Jubail are part of a five-year nationwide development programme.

A subsurface investigation will be conducted to provide preliminary foundation design parameters for housing facilities, schools, hospitals, an airstrip, recreational and other community facilities. A construction materials survey to identify sand, gravel, armour stone and backfill materials is also underway. As part of the project, a meteorological and air quality monitoring station has been established at the site.

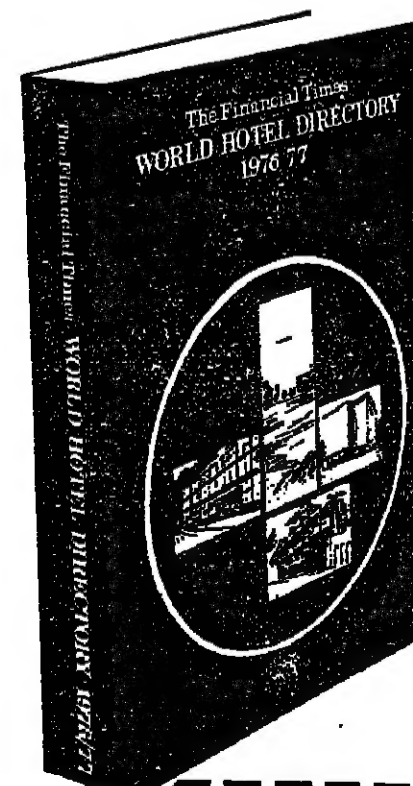
In addition to the work directly under contract to the Royal Commission, Davies and Moore is working on the project in association with Ralph M. Parsons Company of Pasadena, California which is developing the master plan for the Yanbu development.



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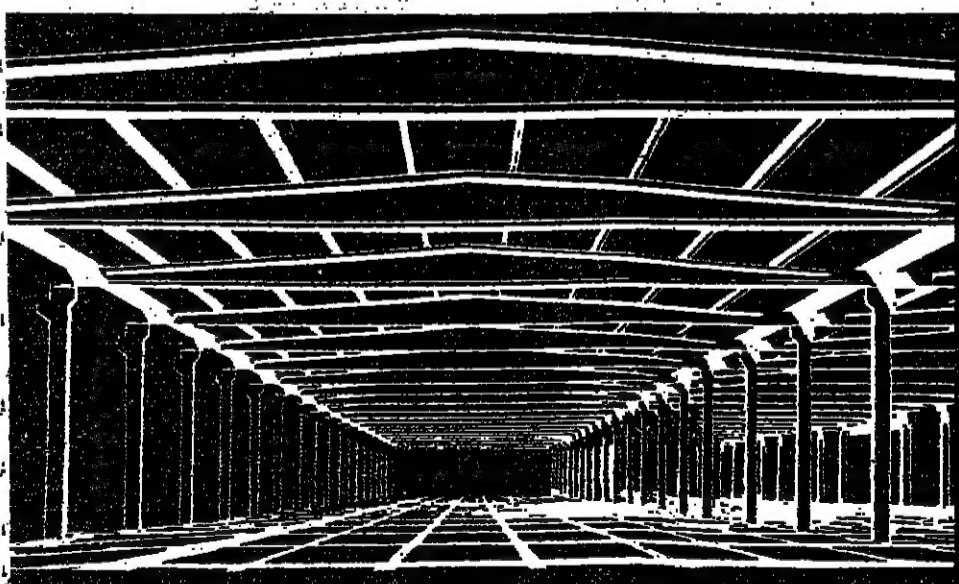
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The new Volvo 343. A sensible car in a crazy world.

Employing some 34,000 people, the power station machinery industry faces a complete famine of home orders. Max Wilkinson reports.

Five options to save power plant makers

THIS WEEK, the Cabinet will be studying a substantial black-bound report from the Central Policy Review Staff on how to prevent the collapse of the industry which makes power station machinery and employs 34,000 people.

The most urgent question for the Government is whether to tell the Central Electricity Generating Board to order a £500m. power station at Drax, near Selby, which the Board says it does not need at present. This is the first of five "options" which will be put to the Cabinet to try to help an industry now suffering from a complete famine of home orders and unprecedented competition for exports. These five options are, however, only the surface glass on a series of far more painful choices.

The basic problem is that British manufacturers have the capacity to produce about 10,000MW of turbo-generating equipment a year, which is twice as much as they are likely to be able to sell in the next five to eight years, even on an optimistic forecast. At worst, the industry could face total collapse in the period.

The immediate forecast stems from the steady downward revision of the CEB's forecasts for electricity demand. The Board now says it will not need to order any new plant until the early 1980s. This excludes a national programme for 4,000MW of Sileant Generating Heavy Water nuclear reactors (SGHWR), but this whole project is now in doubt, partly because of uncertainties about Britain's nuclear programme. The total halt in domestic ordering follows a boom period in the early 1960s when U.K. demand for turbo-generators reached 7,000MW a year.

The industrialists now say that the Government must provide the minimum base of home orders which is essential if they

are to obtain exports. Yet even if the Government agrees to finance the forward ordering of power equipment at a cost estimated by the CEB of £100m. extra per station, the industry is certain to contract further.

This contraction will be complicated by the strong commercial and technological rivalry between the two main turbo-generator companies, GEC and C. A. Parsons in Newcastle. Of the 36,000 people employed by the four companies in the power generation field some 8,000 could lose their jobs in 1977-78 unless there is a sharp increase in ordering. The most vulnerable are the teams setting up machinery on site.

The five "options" which the CPRS or Think Tank is putting before the Cabinet are:

- Immediate ordering of a fossil-fuel station of 2,000MW and "proven design" to bring work to the factories. This would inevitably be Drax B, for which the CEB has completed plans. It involves three 660MW sets, to match the present three which were made by Parsons.
- Ordering a prototype 1200-1300MW high-speed turbine—about twice the size of the 660MW set, the largest high-speed machines now being made in Britain.
- Additional help for exporters.
- A firm commitment to a steady ordering pattern for power stations well into the 1980s, probably around 2,000 MW a year.
- The encouragement of mergers to produce larger, more competitive groups competing in the export markets.

These "options" are, however, little more than a collection of suggestions from employers and trade unions. The final report will inevitably force the Government to look at the industry in much sharper focus. Even before estimating the enormous cost of aid to the industry—to be measured in billions of pounds by the 1980s—the Gov-

ernment will have to decide in outline: how much further the industry must contract; whether the country can support two independent technologies, and if not, which company should dominate; and which categories of workers and which areas should be saved from redundancy.

Answers will also have to be given on two other points. Can

and turbo-generator industries 5,000 MW of conventional non-turkey contracts plus some 4,000 MW of conventional turkey. A further 7,000 MW of nuclear projects will be effectively barred to Britain. On this basis export orders of 2,000 MW a year appear to be the best likely share for the U.K. The total home and export orders, even with Government help, seem likely to be around

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COMPANIES IN POWER GENERATION: LOCATION AND LABOUR FORCE*

Company	Products	Factories	Labour force at works	on site
C. A. Parsons	turbo generators	Heaton, Newcastle	5,900	900
GEC	turbo generators	Rugby, Stafford, Trafford Park, Larn, N. Ireland	5,400	900
Clarke Chapman	boilers, pipework	Gathead Derby	5,300	2,400
Babcock and Wilcox	boilers, pipework	Renfrew, Strathclyde	6,700	3,600

* This does not include factories making transformers and switchgear, which are less immediately affected.

the Government justify subsidising a home order programme in an effort to stimulate exports which will be very hard to obtain and only marginally profitable, if not loss-making? Should the British manufacturers drop out of the technological race in the turbo-generator field, and build for the home market under licence from American or European countries?

In the background is a decision which must be taken about Britain's future nuclear programme and the choices between three separate systems—the SGHWR, Advanced Gas Reactor, or the American Light Water system.

First, it is true that the industry, with an annual capacity of 10,000 MW will only get 5,000 MW or less in orders. The argument for plant contraction of both boiler

industry now to keep design teams and skilled men together ready for the upturn. On the other hand, it is pointed out that even the most optimistic estimate of ordering by the CEB of 2,000 MW a year would build up surplus capacity so that the famine in home orders might merely be postponed. At the same time, the export market is becoming limited by increasing preference for turbine contracts, including those linked to nuclear power. British companies have as yet neither the finance nor the consortium organisation needed to compete effectively for many of these turbine orders.

Following estimates by the National Economic Development Office, the Think Tank will put the world market available to U.K. manufacturers at 6,000-

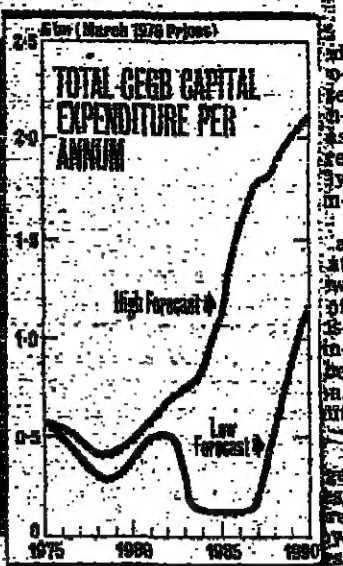
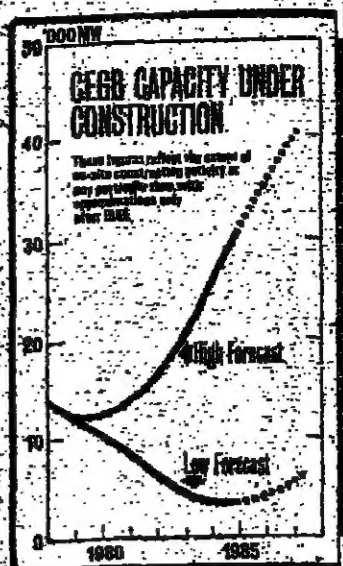
5,000 MW at best, the minimum size which is considered viable. The second question is therefore whether the U.K. can afford to maintain two companies with competitive technologies in the turbine generator field. The Think Tank will inevitably point out that there are only seven major technologies in use in the free world with subsidiary companies operating under licence. The capacities in each technology are: Brown Boveri (Europe) 12,000 MW, Kraftwerk-Union (Germany) 12,000 MW, Westinghouse (U.S.) 18,000 MW, General Electric (U.S.) 23,000 MW, Parsons (U.K.) 5,000 MW, GEC (U.K.) 5,000 MW, and Alsthom (France) 9,000 MW.

under licence from Westinghouse or GE. A very strong case can therefore be made for rationalising the British technology under only one technology. However, GEC and Parsons are both unwilling to combine and each claims to be technologically superior to the other. Without any Government intervention GEC is likely to be the company which survives in the turbine generator field because it has fuller order books at present and vast greater resources.

The third problem facing the Government is that redundancies are inevitable, a choice will have to be made about which companies and which people in them should be given help.

Thus a decision to order Drax B would help employment in the workshops and provide work for boiler-makers, but it would provide little for design teams. Furthermore, the Drax programme could be a death blow for Parsons if GEC were to tender lower and win the contract. Even on social grounds the case for giving the work to Parsons might not stand up against the claims of GEC's factory in Larn, Northern Ireland.

A similar Solomon's judgment would have to be made between the two companies, if the Government decides to authorise the development of a 1300 MW high-speed turbo-generator, which would give work to design teams. Compared with ordering a complete £500m. power station which will provide only £70m. for turbine generators it may be more cost effective to increase the £100m. a year spent on maintenance and improvement and to order some generating machinery in advance of requirements, without building work, or to plough money straight into exports.



field, the Government will have to assess whether the likely returns can justify the enormous initial development, at a time when most overseas contracts make a loss and will require financial backing from the Government. Should the subsidy aim primarily to save jobs, or to make a smaller industry more competitive?

The ordering of Drax B next year would merely postpone the evil day unless it is backed by a steady flow of orders for power stations which the CEB does not expect to need until the mid 1980s. The Government therefore has to face the bleak possibility that Britain should not have a heavy generating industry in ten years' time a new grouping, except for a small capacity, manufacturing under licence for the home market. This is a serious possibility if bridging not yet coming in—the industry cannot be obtained to must contract substantially in the next decade, and unless Government wants to keep in the jobs on the chance of a turn in the late 1980s, the next few months are likely to have a profound effect on the who is to be sacrificed.



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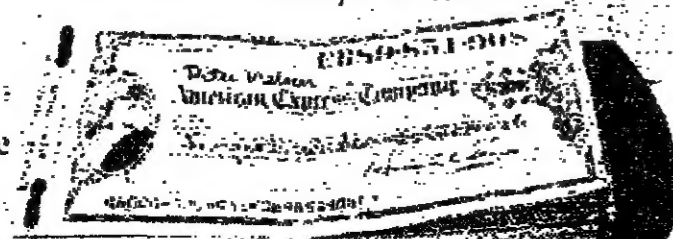
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LABOUR NEWS

BA unions take first steps to participation

BY CHRISTIAN TYLER, LABOUR STAFF

THE FIRST step towards what unions hope will be formal worker participation in the running of the State-owned British Airways has been taken by unions representing the airline's 50,000 employees.

They have decided to set up a joint union council—a trade union council of about 25 officials and between 31 and 55 rank-and-file workers to develop a collective view on matters like manpower, investment, routes and the purchase of aircraft.

No decision has been taken about whether to press for worker directors on the BA Board: that debate will be one of the first and one of the trickiest in the new council's agenda.

The demand for worker directors will be pushed hard by the Transport and General Workers' Union which dominates the airline's unions with its 30,000 members, and backed by the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs and the

Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff.

Other unions on the council have grave doubts, notably the Electrical and Plumbing Trades Union. But the engineering section of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers has refused so far to have anything to do with the council although its white-collar section (TASS) is involved.

Before the unions decided to set up a participation council, Mr. Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, anticipated the debate by writing to Sir Frank McFarlane, BA chairman, and asking the company to take shop stewards on the Board now. However, BA is apparently far from keen on the kind of union control implied by the TGWU's policy commitment to parity worker representation at Board level.

The unions' move at BA comes in advance of the Bullock and Whitfield reports on Industrial

democracy, in the private public sectors respectively, out in the next few months.

British Leyland among nationalised companies has fully fledged worker participation, although discussions are in train for an experimental scheme in the Office.

Once the union council formed—and there are arguments to be settled as the number of lay members of each of the dozen unions groups—a sub-committee will probably be elected to direct to management strategic planning. Bargaining about wages and conditions would, however, remain province of the existing national council which on union side is almost entirely composed of full-time officials.

It is also expected separate participation committees would be formed for different groups of workers: pilots, baggage handlers, engineers or clerical staff.

Norwegians to speed Stornoway barge work

BY OUR LABOUR STAFF

ABOUT 40 Norwegian workers from the Scottish mainland are to be imported to Lewis Off-shore. When the proposal to bring shore's fabrication base at Arnish Point, Stornoway, so that work force over a week ago, it was rejected. They agreed, however, to consider it further. This proposal was accepted at the week-end by the 200 workers at the site, all members of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, after further discussions with the management. A temporary arrangement would be made for the next year or beyond. It is understood that another contract is being sought to recruit skilled near to being signed.

Rodgers meets drivers

BY OUR MIDLANDS CORRESPONDENT

EFFORTS to defuse a possible confrontation with lorry drivers from the West Midlands, have forced a switch in TGWU policy by Mr. William Rodgers, the Transport Secretary. He will meet a delegation from the national road transport committee of the Transport and General Workers' Union, which is seeking assurances that the Government will not enforce a Common Market directive to make compulsory the use of tachographs—dubbed by the off-peddling a meeting with Mr. Rodgers at the "spy in the cab".

Equity votes against rule change

THE WRANGLE between a moderate and militant members of actors' Equity reached a stalemate again last night with a 529-506 vote against a rule change at a special general meeting. The two-thirds majority rule, which means militants can overrule a referendum decision by turning out to vote, was rejected at a sparsely attended meeting. Mr. Peter Plowright, general secretary, said: "The vote was disappointing and it means the present rule of a two-thirds majority is unlikely to be settled in the foreseeable future."

Varley inquiry sought over Leyland jobs

By Our Labour Staff

MR. MICHAEL HESELTINE, Conservative spokesman for industry, is to press the Industries Secretary, Mr. Eric Varley, in the House of Commons today, an inquiry into the job losses at British Leyland. The damaging speculation, which has been widespread since the announcement of a restructuring plan, has led to a loss of confidence in the company and its management. It is quite intolerable, Mr. Heeseltine said, that trade union officials should be thought to have sold jobs out for personal gain or for the good of union funds.

It was a grave reflection on the reputation of the management involved, he said, adding that internal inquiries by the company or by the unions would allay public anxiety.

British Leyland has confirmed that a senior shop steward has been suspended pending an investigation is held.

This followed claims that a steward had been paid £500 by men wanting jobs at British Leyland factory.

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The Executive's and Office World

EDITED BY JOHN ELLIOTT

Michael Dixon outlines the ideas of the new dean of INSEAD on the fresh skills needed by managers to operate worldwide

An international approach

THROUGHOUT their courses students at the INSEAD business school in France regularly divide into groups of half a dozen and sit down for seven and as much of the inter-night as necessary, to work out a reasoned report on a problem such as the marketing of contraceptives in the Philippines. This is a difficult task on which to make a group decision, of course, and there is not only the aspect of time to consider, but likely political responses from the Philippines' Catholic establishment. Increases in the pressure on students still more, however, at only rarely do any two in a group come from the same country.

It is a kind of exercise in a sense an illustration of what Uwe Kitzinger, the Fontainebleau school's new dean, means by "international management"—a practice which has been extolling in various parts of the world for a long time. Having previously worked in a multinational company at Oxford, and a senior member of both the Council of Europe and the EEC, Kitzinger, the tri-lingual (German, French and English), evidently speaks from experience. But if you called an internationalist, or even a cosmopolitan, he would resent it.

Culture

The very last thing we'd want to be to turn out some of the homogenised Eurocrats, he says. "I think to be effective internationally the manager must be rooted in his own culture and able to represent it in its fullness—in its terms, for example, to be able to quote Shakespeare and talk about cricket with understanding. But if you help his country to come to work towards an understanding of the cultures of other nationalities, he does this, he believes that



Mr. Uwe Kitzinger (centre), the new dean of the INSEAD business school of Fontainebleau, seen at a fund-raising dinner in London last week with Mr. Roy Jenkins and Mr. Edward Heath.

the would-be international executive needs to acquire at least three basic additions to the merely national-scale range of management skills. The first may well be a "depression" among those Britons who have meekly avoided the chore of language-learning in the comforting knowledge that their own tongue is already the business argot of the world at large, and is fast overtaking French as the medium of diplomacy.

"That may be true," Uwe Kitzinger admits. "But I still think it very important to try to learn — say — two other languages, at least one of them seriously and fluently. By that I mean surpassing the courtesy skills of reading it and chatting even wittily at table. This is one of the best ways of transcending one's own culture and understanding its relative in terms of others."

"English is an extraordinarily subtle language and can be made to mean more or less what one wants."

"But French can be even more ambiguous too, although in a much more categorical way. Take for instance the French phrase 'en principe', which an Englishman might translate as 'as a matter of principle'. But the way the French use it, the

meaning is 'this is how things ought to be, but in fact they are the opposite.'"

German, in its turn, can be at times both high sounding and almost meaningless. The second necessary addition named by the INSEAD dean is political and social awareness. This topic is, of course, becoming a familiar theme to the leaders of big companies, as is shown by the fairly frequently repeated slogan: Get into politics, or get out of business. However, Uwe Kitzinger's advice applies not just to the topmost, but to managers in general and not just to public politics, but to the more intricate kinds as well.

Motivation

"Whether you are tendering for a new dam project in Africa for which the contracts are being awarded by an organisation in Brussels, or for a hospital project in Manchester, the needs are basically much the same. There is an interlocking with non-profit-making organisations, which requires an understanding of their concepts, their motivation, and their mechanisms. It is not simply a matter of skill in political dealings. It is having the understanding of the total

environment, looking for the signs of how it is going to impinge on you, and how you may impinge on it."

The third main addition he recommends to the aspiring executive is an acute awareness of the acceleration of change. Even though there are techniques which can be learned with a view to reducing managerial uncertainty, in conditions which include inflation and fluctuating exchange rates, the new dean feels that much can depend on flair and inspired guessing.

As an aid to inspiration he once again prescribes a watchful eye on the whole world environment. "There is a need to keep awake to where the total culture is going. And I think that it is wise for us to do this even if we are running a company which has never wanted to operate outside the Home Counties."

But apart from equipping students with techniques, teaching them how better to cope with change is no easy matter. "In a sense," Uwe Kitzinger replies, "what we try to do in our programmes is to blow people's assumptions apart: to sensitise them to what they don't know, and to what they should keep their eyes open for."

Salaries up 5.3% in U.S.

CHIEF EXECUTIVES of 587 large U.S. companies received pay increases averaging 5.3 per cent in 1978, although overall profitability of the companies fell by 10.5 per cent.

This is stated in the latest McKinsey Quarterly, a publication produced by McKinsey, the U.S. management consultants, and the figures are drawn from the company's top executive compensation survey.

The survey shows that salaries of the second, third and fourth highest paid executives of a company moved virtually in line with the rises of the chief executive, but that the pay of the chief executives varied widely between industries.

In 1978, the biggest percentage pay increase was an average 13.7 per cent, enjoyed by chief executives in household appliance companies, whose average profits rose by 37.4 per cent, despite a sales decline of 1.1 per cent. In such a company with \$200m. (£125m.) of sales, the chief executive's pay averaged \$150,000 (£92,700), rising to \$195,000 with sales at or above \$500m. and to \$234,000 when sales exceeded \$1bn.

The biggest salaries are paid by soap and cosmetic companies, which in 1978 increased sales by an average 15.7 per cent and profits by an average 11.1 per cent. Companies with sales of \$200m. paid chief executives an average salary of \$231,000, with sales of \$500m. they paid \$287,000, with sales of \$1bn. it was \$338,000, with sales of \$2bn. it was \$399,000, and where sales exceeded \$4bn. the pay was \$470,000. The average increase in chief executive's pay in the industry last year was 12.6 per cent.

There was a further increase last year in the number of companies operating executive bonus plans—up from 78 to 80 per cent, whereas only 63 per cent had such bonuses five years ago. Even more companies, 86 per cent, had executive stock plans.

The survey found also that more than 50 per cent of companies now have written contracts with one or more of their top executives.

PER SURVEY

BY NICHOLAS LESLIE

Big rise in number of unemployed executives

A SIGNIFICANT increase in the number of unemployed executives occurred in September, according to Professional and Executive Recruitment (PER), the Government-sponsored agency. During the month, 21,000 people, the second highest recorded monthly figure, enrolled with PER and at the end of September the total number of unemployed executive and professional staff reached a record figure of over 70,000.

The figures are reported in the latest edition of Reward, a four-monthly survey of the executive employment market produced by a partnership of PER, Synergy Publishing, the Institute of Personnel Management and the Institute of Directors. The survey also includes an analysis of increases in executive pay in the four-month period from June to September when the average rise, it states, was 2.8 per cent.

In a review of the survey, Reward says that the pattern of unemployment ran counter to a prediction in a previous survey that the underlying figure for unemployment would remain constant at about 62,500. Now, it is forecast that unemployment among professional and executive staff will continue to rise over the next four months with a figure of 80,000 being reached by next January.

Older staff

The survey says that there has been an increase in the numbers of salaried staff laid off by private industry and that there seems also to have been an increase in the number of older staff retiring early and registering with PER in the hope of finding part-time or less demanding work. The monthly rate of people becoming unemployed, at 20,000, is more than twice the rate of 10,000 at the beginning of the year.

In common with other salary surveys, produced in recent months, Reward highlights the erosion of differentials between higher and lower paid employees. It points out that in the 12 months to August, basic wages rose by 17.3 per cent, in the U.K. whereas the latest figures

compiled by Reward show that the rise for salaried staff in the same period was only 10.3 per cent.

It is predicted that, with an even lower level of pay increase allowed under stage two of the incomes policy, there will be an increase in the number of salaried men and women looking for a new job as a method of raising their earnings. But it

of living, it is suggested that earnings would need to average £3,785 after the rise. The figure would vary, depending on the region of the U.K. Thus, £3,320 would be needed in the East Midlands, £3,968 in Scotland, £3,491 in Northern Ireland, and £2,293 (the highest figure) in the South-East.

In a breakdown of salaries among different levels of management, Reward shows the median salary for general management in London to be £7,300—the highest for this category—while the lowest was Scotland at £5,400.

MEDIAN SALARIES

	London	Scotland
General management	7,300	5,400
Administration management	4,250	3,800
Accounts	4,300	3,800
Personnel & Ind. relations	4,400	4,000
Prod'n. mgmt.—engineering	4,300	4,200
Electrical and electronic engrs.	4,400	3,950

Accountants

In this category the number of people registered with PER totalled 3,221 over a four month period to September, 1978, with the highest concentration being 555 in London and the lowest being 131 in the South-West. Among accountants, the London median salary was £4,300. The lowest level for accountants was £3,600 and recorded in Wales. The number of accountants registered with PER totalled 3,956, the highest number being again in London at 631 and the lowest again in the South-West.

London produced the highest median salary for personnel and industrial relations officers and managers at £4,400, while the lowest was £3,700 in Yorkshire and Humberside. There were 5,683 such managers registered with PER, but this time the greatest number were in the North-West (784), and the Midlands (722), while the figure for London was 618.

Looking at fringe benefits for higher-paid employees and the benefit of a company car Reward says that, following a recent decision by the policy division of the Inland Revenue, there may be a benefit for people on a salary of over £5,000 to lease cars personally and charge the company a rate per mile for business trips. "The most likely beneficiaries will be the director or executive with a very expensive company car that comes into the higher tax brackets," it is stated.

Conscientious preparation for a business trip to Kuwait, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, or Dhahran requires more than just a Swissair ticket.

If you're less interested in old bazaars than in new markets, every hint you can pick up is worth money. The best business tips and generally interesting information on these oil-producing countries are to be found in the following publications; the listing lays no claim to completeness and is subject to change at any time. Where the economy is rapidly evolving, business publications tend to do the same. Being provided with one or more of these

publications, all you really lack is a single small pamphlet that can help make your business trip a success. It usually has 16 pages and is inscribed to you personally by the publisher: your Swissair ticket.

Publications (in English):
Arab Economic Review; quarterly, New York.
Construction Today Middle East; monthly, Toronto.
Events; weekly, London.
MEC Middle East Construction; ten times each year, Sutton (GB).
MEED Middle East Economic Digest; weekly, London.
Middle East Markets; fortnightly, New York.

Middle East Business Promotion; bimonthly, Athens.
Middle East International; monthly, London.
Near East Business; bimonthly, New York.
The Middle East; monthly, London.
The Middle East Observer; weekly, Cairo.

Abu Dhabi (2 flights weekly):
Emirates News; weekly, Abu Dhabi.
Dubai (2 flights weekly):
Gulf Weekly Mirror; weekly, Manama (Bahrain).

Iran (daily flight to Teheran):
Iran Trade & Industry; monthly, Teheran.
Teheran Economist; weekly, Teheran.

Iraq (3 flights weekly to Baghdad):
Al-Sinai (Arabic/English); quarterly, Baghdad.
L'Opinion de Bagdad (French); weekly, Baghdad.

Kuwait (2 flights weekly):
Kuwait by KAC; Kuwait Airways Corporation, Kuwait.
Kuwait Times; daily, Kuwait.
The Daily News; daily, Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia (3 flights weekly to Dhahran):
Arab News; daily, Jeddah.

Subject to government approvals.



Indexation on the agenda

Of course it would not be easy to confine indexation to public sector borrowing. The private sector would also become interested in methods of finance which do not lead

dropping one measure as part of a deal to salvage the remaining Bills. All the indications are that Ministers intend to call the bluff of the Lords by restoring to each Bill the provisions which have been deleted or modified to an unacceptable extent. This would mean that the church will

inserting into Bills any measures passed in the Lords and rejected by the Commons without proper debate because of the guillotine procedure. Opposition to parts of the Bills would be based on the contention that the Lords should fulfil its role as a revising chamber. If the Tories decide to stand their

This would mean that any Bill(s) on which the Lords refuse to back down could not become law for another year and only then if passed by the Commons next session. This in itself would clearly be no easy task for the Government whips.

THE LEGISLATION AT RISK

The Government's Bill required the new State corporations for shipbuilding and aerospace to consult "relevant trade unions" on a range of matters. This has been changed in the

Further amendments seek to exclude extension of the national

ended by the Government to enshrine the principle of comprehensive education in all secondary schools supported by the State, has emerged from the Lords severely mauled. During a jerky passage marked by some

also lost the power to prevent local authorities from sending pupils at public expense to direct grant and independent schools.

Michael Dixon

John Cherrington

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Political in-fighting in Japan

nature of political power in Japan. His popularity has increased dramatically as a result of his handling of the Lockheed affair, and Mr. Miki regards this as justifying his bid to retain power. That is not the way that

MEN AND MATTERS

Disclosing the Treasury forecasts

different assumptions of the world's economic state. Even so, whichever set of forecasts the Treasury sees fit to reveal, it looks as if it must say a lot more than usual about sensi-

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Enter at this point Ned Gerrity, senior vice-president for public affairs at ITT and the

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1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

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1. *Chlorophyll a* and *Chlorophyll b* were determined by the method of Arar and Collins (1971) using a Shimadzu 1010 UV-Visible Spectrophotometer.

the 1990s, the number of people in the United States who are 65 years of age or older is projected to increase from 20 million to 30 million, and the number of people 75 years of age or older is projected to increase from 10 million to 15 million (U.S. Census Bureau, 1996). The number of people 85 years of age or older is projected to increase from 2 million to 4 million (U.S. Census Bureau, 1996). The number of people 90 years of age or older is projected to increase from 500,000 to 1 million (U.S. Census Bureau, 1996). The number of people 95 years of age or older is projected to increase from 100,000 to 200,000 (U.S. Census Bureau, 1996). The number of people 100 years of age or older is projected to increase from 10,000 to 20,000 (U.S. Census Bureau, 1996).

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454—Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith
456—Morgan & Co. International
458—Morgan Stanley & Co.
463—Nomura Securities Co.
479—Salomon Brothers
480—Banque Bruxelles, Lambert S.A.
485—Smith Barney & Co.
487—Barclays Merchant Bank Ltd.
494—Adder, Peabody International Ltd.
500—White Weld & Co. Inc.
501—Yamaichi Securities
517—Merrill Lynch Intl. Bank Ltd.
517—Crédit Suisse-White Weld Ltd.
518—Arab Finance Corp.
525—Banque Arabe et Int. D'invest
594—Indo-Suez & Morgan Grenfell
(Singapore)
599—Swiss Bank Corp. (Lux.)
630—Barclays Koll & Co. N.V.

scheduled sinking fund instalments. These are further adjusted where a non-cumulative option to double sinking fund payments has been exercised. Yields are calculated in accordance with Rule 603 of 'Statutes, By-Laws, Rules and Recommendations' of the AIBD using compound interest throughout. Negative yields are not shown.

Notice of Redemption

Standard Oil Company (an Indiana corporation)

8 1/2% Debentures Due 1988

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture dated as of December 2, 1974 between Standard Oil Company (an Indiana corporation) and The Chase Manhattan Bank (National Association), as Trustee, \$75,000,000 of the above designated debentures will be redeemed for the sinking fund on December 1, 1976 at the redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest to December 1, 1976.

The numbers of the debentures to be redeemed are as follows:

1	2386	4770	6886	8582	10726	12966	15888	17888	20222	22888	25181	26947	28883	32530
331	2994	4782	6828	8577	10746	12989	15861	17878	20212	22878	25171	26937	28873	32520
332	2995	4783	6829	8578	10747	12990	15862	17879	20213	22879	25172	26938	28874	32521
333	2996	4784	6830	8579	10748	12991	15863	17880	20214	22880	25173	26939	28875	32522
334	2997	4785	6831	8580	10749	12992	15864	17881	20215	22881	25174	26940	28876	32523
335	2998	4786	6832	8581	10750	12993	15865	17882	20216	22882	25175	26941	28877	32524
336	2999	4787	6833	8582	10751	12994	15866	17883	20217	22883	25176	26942	28878	32525
337	3000	4788	6834	8583	10752	12995	15867	17884	20218	22884	25177	26943	28879	32526
338	3001	4789	6835	8584	10753	12996	15868	17885	20219	22885	25178	26944	28880	32527
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340	3003	4791	6837	8586	10755	12998	15870	17887	20221	22887	25180	26946	28882	32529
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25.00 1974 AUSTRALIAN GOVT CORP	100.00 12/1/1978	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00	100.00	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00
25.00 1974 AUSTRALIAN GOVT CORP	100.00 12/1/1978	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00	100.00	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00
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10.00 1972 OCTOBER 1972	100.00 12/1/1978	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00	100.00	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00	100 3/4 5.00 8.75 9.00
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64.75	100.00	7.75	2/10/1990		0.21	10.70	RM	2.50	1770.15	
15.00	1971	JENNIFER MATHIAS	10/1/1981	50	100.00	4.00	2502.00	100	1771	00 430 960 970
13.50	100.00					5.97				
15.00	1971	KEVIN MICHAEL MATHIAS	10/1/1981	50	97 10/2	6.05	7.78	7.78	200.50	1870 00 430 960 970
13.50	100.00		7.75	13/1/1990		5.97	7.78			
ON DOLLARS-DENIAL										
35.00	1972	NATIONAL BANK OF WISCONSIN	1/1/1972	50	04 1/8	11.00	9.00	9.00	100.00	1300 00 200 200 410 900 970
										1.00
35.00	1971	NATIONAL BANK OF WISCONSIN	1/1/1971	50	04 1/8	4.80	10.20	9.30	300.00	1977 00 200 200 410 900 970
25.00	99.00		6.75	30/4/1981		2.07	11.30		9.00	1877.18
ON DOLLARS-DENIAL										
58.00	1997	INDIANAPOLIS ALTERNATIVE CO	1/10/1992	65	5/4	5.92	7.60	3.00	100.00	1977 00 440 100 000 970
10.00	99.50		6.75	1/10/1992		3.42	8.04		1.00	1870.15
11.00	1977	REPUBLIC OF KENYA	8/1/1977	61	3/6	10.20	9.23	8.26	100.00	1980 00 410 100 970 970
10.00	99.50		8.00	1/2/1987						1872.18
10.00	1972	REPUBLIC OF KENYA	8/1/1972	61	3/6	9.21	9.00	9.23	100.00	1977 00 410 100 970 970
9.25	99.00		8.25	10/1/1988		5.00	10.00		100.00	1872.18
ON DOLLARS-DENIAL										
36.00	1976	SNY & WINTING RYER BANK	1/1/1976	97	9/8	8.37	9.75	9.48	201.50	1980 00 110 180 910 960 970
36.00	99.00					4.80	9.07		3.00	1877.18
ON DOLLARS-DENIAL										
35.00	1969	AMERICAN TRAVELERS	1/1/1969	98	5/6	5.85	8.85	8.30	100.00	1979 00 00 320 100 130 900 980 980 970
15.00	97.50		8.25	10/1/1978		5.00	8.85		1.50	1970.00
21.00	97.50		8.25	11/1/1980		9.00	10.00	9.25	100.00	1977 00 00 320 100 130 900 980 980 970
21.00	97.50		8.25	13/1/1980		9.00	10.00		1.50	1872.18
10.00	1970	REPUBLIC OF HAZARD	8/1/1970	98	5/6	3.54	8.07	6.15	100.00	1980 00 00 320 100 130 900 980 980 970
9.00	99.00		9.00	1/3/1989		4.00	9.01		.00	1871.18
ON DOLLARS-DENIAL										
15.00	1987	TELECOM 900 900 BANK	1/1/1987	50	3/8	8.00	8.20	8.00	100.00	1979 00 00 320 100 130 900 970
9.00	98.00					5.15	8.00		RM	3.35
ON DOLLARS-DENIAL										
10.00	1970	ALFA ROMEO	1/1/1970	85	3/8	8.40	10.41	8.00	100.00	1977 00 00 320 100 400 410 420 430 970
11.00	97.00		7.75	15/4/1988		6.00	10.00		1.00	
10.00	1963	AMERICAN TRAVELERS	1/1/1963	98	5/6	7.78	7.71	6.83	5.00	100.00
4.44	99.00		5.50	10/7/1978		1.25	10.13		2.13	1869.18
81.04	1963	CASAS PER LA MEDIOCCINIA	8/1/1963	84	1/4	3.64	9.00	7.34	1.00	00 00 330 400 910 420 970
18.00	97.50		9.00	1/7/1985		2.40	10.10		1.00	1869.18
85.17	1968	CASAS PER LA MEDIOCCINIA	8/1/1968	85	1/2	8.82	9.40	8.05	100.00	1977 00 00 320 100 400 410 420 970
11.75	99.25		8.25	11/1/1993		1.00	11.00		1.00	1971.18
10.00	1969	CASAS PER LA MEDIOCCINIA	8/1/1969	85	1/2	8.07	9.08	8.05	100.00	1977 00 00 320 100 400 410 420 970
45.83	97.50		6.75	11/7/1994		4.31	10.34		1.00	1872.18
10.00	1991	CEX OF ITALY		80	7/8	1.67	6.30	5.44	100.00	1977 00 00 320 100 400 410 420 970
3.41	99.75		5.25	11/7/1978		7.00	7.07		1.18	1804.18
6.00	1977	CLIV OF DENVER		95	9/8	14.00	9.50	8.74	100.00	1987 00 00 320 100 400 410 420 430 970
7.50	100.00			11/1/1991		3.00	9.03		.00	1871.18
36.00	1984	CEX OF DENVER		95	9/8	14.00	9.50	8.74	100.00	1987 00 00 320 100 400 410 420 430 970
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15.00	1964	1964	10.00	15/1/1981	94 3/8	4.67	8.45	7.40	100.00	11.00	87	105	915	975				
5.70	96.50		6.619	1/1/1981		2.46	0.61											
25.00	1964	1964	10.00	15/1/1981	94	5.46	8.07	7.42	100.00	11.00	87	105	915	975				
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6.50	96.50		7.50	15/1/1981		5.23	6.20											
10.00	1972	1972	10.00	15/1/1981	93	5.78	10.36	9.34	100.00	11.00	87	105	915	975				
30.00	100.00		0.50	15/1/1981		6.00	10.72											
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27.00	100.00		10.00	15/1/1981		8.00	9.00											
ON DELAWARE-NEW ZEALAND																		
30.00	1974	1974	10.00	15/1/1981	93	5.78	10.36	9.34	100.00	11.00	87	105	915	975				
30.00	100.00		0.75	1/1/1981		9.44	9.44											
40.00	1976	1976	10.00	15/1/1981	93	5.78	10.36	9.34	100.00	11.00	87	105	915	975				
100.00			0.25	15/1/1981														
30.00	1974	1974	10.00	15/1/1981	93	5.78	10.36	9.34	100.00	11.00	87	105	915	975				
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15.00 1971 DEERFIELD	12/ 3/1986	93 1/2	5.37	8.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
5.00 50.00	7.50	12/ 3/1986	3.04	5.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
30.00 1979 KEN	12/ 3/1986	91 1/2	4.69	11.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
50.00 1972 KEN	12/ 3/1986	94 3/8	7.24	9.87	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
25.00 95.50	4.00	11/ 3/1986	4.94	7.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
25.00 1971 KEN	12/ 3/1986	71	9.42	13.02	112.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00
23.00 100.00	0.00	11/ 4/1986	5.66	16.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
BANK OF AMERICA									
12.00 1975 A.P. INC.	12/ 2/1985	100	8.32	9.41	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 100.00	0.50	12/ 2/1985	5.37	7.25	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
33.00 1970 AGRICULTURAL	10/ 1/1979	106	2.89	8.37	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1963 BANK OF AMERICA	10/ 1/1979	100	2.05	1.04	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
3.00 100.00	5.00	10/ 1/1979	1.00	1.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
27.00 95.50	7.00	11/ 3/1985	10.00	10.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
11.00 1974 KEN	12/ 3/1986	87	12.20	10.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
14.00 50.00	6.75	9/ 3/1985	7.10	10.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1966 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	100 1/2	9.42	6.13	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
14.00 95.00	4.50	11/ 4/1985	2.01	6.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
11.00 1968 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	114	2.01	3.66	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
4.50 96.00	7.25	10/ 1/1979	1.01	1.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
3.00 1960 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	117	2.04	2.65	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
3.00 96.00	8.50	8/ 1/1979	1.94	1.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
1.00 1968 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	106	5.43	5.14	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
14.00 95.00	1.25	10/ 1/1979	1.22	2.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1963 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	87	2.01	7.15	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
4.00 95.25	5.50	10/ 1/1979	1.01	1.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1970 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	116 7/8	6.46	6.35	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
6.70 95.25	8.75	10/ 1/1979	4.53	4.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1968 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	94 1/4	9.43	9.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.00	0.75	10/ 1/1979	1.00	1.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1975 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	99 7/8	9.11	9.26	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
25.00 95.50	9.25	23/ 9/1985	6.92	7.27	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1974 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	103 1/4	3.09	8.33	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
18.00 1975 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	103 1/4	6.36	3.06	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1971 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	110 3/4	9.48	6.49	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
6.75 95.00	8.00	13/ 3/1985	3.45	5.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1958 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	87 5/8	15.42	1.06	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.50	8.05	11/ 4/1985	9.13	3.26	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1974 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	104	5.10	9.08	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 100.00	10.00	5/12/1986	3.08	3.08	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1975 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	100 1/2	6.06	9.16	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 95.00	10.00	15/10/1985	6.25	1.15	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
17.00 1978 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	90	12.37	9.27	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
14.00 95.50	9.00	12/ 3/1985	7.06	9.34	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1971 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	112 1/2	9.78	9.30	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.25	8.00	12/ 3/1985	5.00	5.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
12.50 1971 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	110 3/4	9.71	9.47	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
9.00 94.75	8.00	15/ 7/1986	5.04	3.77	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
5.00 1967 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	106	99	9.50	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.00	6.75	25/10/1977	9.00	9.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
5.00 1968 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	106	14	5.43	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
4.00 99.00	7.00	28/12/1978	6	6	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1968 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	117 1/4	3.57	1.04	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
4.00 96.25	6.00	24/ 5/1986	2.10	1.10	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1969 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	113 1/2	7.15	6.18	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.00	10.00	10/ 2/1986	4.07	4.07	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1971 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	116 7/8	9.48	9.50	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
9.00 100.00	4.00	10/ 2/1986	3.35	4.90	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
30.00 1975 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	99 7/8	9.08	9.27	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.00	10.00	23/10/1985	5.00	5.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1975 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	100 3/8	9.58	9.35	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
13.00 1971 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	110 3/4	9.75	6.47	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.25	8.00	24/ 5/1986	5.25	5.50	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1971 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	112	9.52	10.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.00	10.00	10/ 2/1986	4.00	4.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
20.00 1978 KEN	12/ 3/1986	89 1/2	1.38	9.30	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.00	9.25	10/ 2/1986	99	92	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1968 KEN	12/ 3/1986	113	1.52	8.29	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.25	7.00	8/ 5/1978	1.02	1.02	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
12.00 1971 KEN	12/ 3/1986	85	9.63	3.00	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
12.00 97.75	8.25	11/ 6/1986	5.13	7.27	102.00	101.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
13.00 1970 KEN	12/ 3/1986	116	3.66	4.96	101.25	100.75	100.25	100.25	100.25
4.00 100.00	9.25	24/ 6/1986	2.16	2.54	101.25	100.75	100.25	100.25	100.25
10.00 1966 KEN	12/ 3/1986	100	9.28	6.92	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
13.00 97.50	6.00	11/ 7/1986	2.72	7.12	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1975 KEN	12/ 3/1986	100 7/8	7.02	9.32	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 99.00	9.50	7/11/1985	5.62	3.00	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 99.00	9.00	11/ 7/1986	97	7.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
15.00 1975 KEN	12/ 3/1986	100 1/2	6.45	9.41	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
14.00 99.00	9.75	10/ 4/1985	4.08	9.33	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1964 C.F. INC.	10/ 1/1979	106	7.46	6.45	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
8.00 96.00	6.00	15/ 4/1986	4.35	4.05	101.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00
5.00 1963 KEN	12/ 3/1986	113 7/8	1.71	5.27	100.75	100.25	100.00	100.00	100.00
1.00 97.75	6.00	11/ 7/1986	1.21	1.21	100.75	100.25	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 1975 KEN	12/ 3/1986	100 1/4	8.40	9.56	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
10.00 95.75	8.75	25/ 3/1986	87	1.00	100.50	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

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ISSUES/ ESTIMATED C/S (AMT)	YEAR OF ISSUE/ ISSUE PRICE	BORROWER/ COUPON MATURITY	PRICE	INT/ AMOUNT/LIFE	YIELD TO MATURITY/ YIELD TO AVERAGE LIFE	CURRENT YIELD	NEXT CALL DATE/ NEXT D/P AMOUNT (AMT)	NEXT CALL DATE/ NEXT S/P DATE	DELIVERY SECURITY LISTING	LEAD MANAGER	MARKET MAKERS
7.00 1986 REP OF IRELAND	11.34	10 1/8	6.34	7.25	7.06	102.00	1977 KP RV 359 305 960 965				
3.72 1975	7.00	1/ 2/1981	5.34	7.40		101.75	1976 LAMPT				
11.50 1979 REP OF IRELAND	7.5000	10 3/4	11.11	9.01	8.67	101.75	1979 BV RV 359 305 307 960 965				
11.50 1980	7.00	12/ 1/1988	6.71	9.70		102.25	1979 LM				
20.00 1972 ROYALMAIR IRE	7.40	61	12.67	12.82	10.23	104.00	1977 BV RV 23 305 960				
100.00	8.25	30/ 6/1992					LA				
4.00 1985 KIMA EXTRA	5.45	37 7/8	6.26	7.03	7.34	100.50	1977 SC RV 561 305 960 965				
2.54 1984	7.25	1/ 2/1988	5.48	6.08		100	1971 LAMPT				
8.00 1978 BLACKS VALLEY	8.40	32 1/2	10.34	10.25	14.57	103.25	1978 PG RV 302 960 975				
7.40 100.00	7.25	15/ 6/1987	6	6.12	20.17	100	1979 LM				
4.00 1983 SWEDISH LAMCO	11.14	38 1/8	2.59	6.44	5.29	102.50	1977 RV 359 305 960 965				
1.44 104.25	5.75	1/ 6/1990	5	5.09	6.02	100	1980 LAMPT				
5.00 1985 S S BORRER OSE	11.14	38 3/8	5.73	6.51	6.18	100.75	1977 RV RV 315 305 960 965				
2.00 17.00	6.00	31/ 7/1990	5	5.25	5.75	100.75	1977 RV RV 315 305 960 965				
AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR/US											
30.00 1978 NIMM & BROOKINGS KIM	6.50	19/ 8/1987	5	10.79	9.04	7.53	101.50	1980 BV RV 218 507 946 946			
30.00 100.00				6.25	6.70		100	1978 LM			
INTERNAL STABILISED DEBENT											
20.00 1972 LAMCO THE FIB	8.00	1/ 6/1987		30.70	13.40	11.43	100.25	1980 PG RV 436 960			
3.25 100.00				6.00	12.25		100	1974 LM			
SPECIAL WARRANT RIGHTS											
50.00 1979 NEWBERRY INT	9.00	12/ 6/1990		39 7/8	2.65	9.01	9.01	103.00	1978 PG RV 517 805 960 975		
100.00				39 1/8	6.72	9.14	9.07	103.00	1980 PG RV 230 210 805 960 975		
50.00 1975 NEWBERRY INT	9.00	12/ 6/1990		39 7/8	5.67	9.25	9.10	103.00	1979 KP RV 317 733 805 960 975		
50.00 1975 SWEDISH INVESTMENT BANK	8.00	17 7/1982		5.17	9.53			10.00	1979 LM		

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**Notice to Holders of the 5% US\$
Convertible Notes 1976/81 of
Union Bank of Switzerland (Luxembourg),
Luxembourg**

Union Bank of Switzerland

November 8, 1976

\$35,000,000

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9% Bonds Due 1986

Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

Svenska Handelsbanken

Banque Arabe et Internationale d'Investissement (B.A.I.I.)

Kredietbank S.A. Luxembourgeoise

Union Bank of Switzerland (Securities)

Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale

A.E. Ames & Co.	Alahli Bank of Kuwait (K.S.C.) Limited	Algemeene Bank Nederland N.V.	Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank N.V.
The Arab and Morgan Grenfell Finance Company Limited	Banco Commerciale Italiano	Banca del Gottardo	Banca della Svizzera Italiana
Banca Nazionale del Lavoro	Banca Solaci & Blum S.A.	Bank of America International Limited	The Bank of Bermuda Limited
Bank Gutwiler, Kurz, Bungenier (Overseas) Limited	Bank Julius Bär & Co. AG	Bank Les International Ltd.	Bank Mets & Hope NV
Bankers Trust International Limited	Banque Bruxelles Lambert S.A.	Banque Française du Commerce Extérieur	
Banque Générale du Luxembourg S.A.	Banque de l'Indochine et de l'Extrême Orient	Binque Internationale du Luxembourg S.A.	Banque Louis-Dreyfus
Banque Nationale de Paris	Banque de Neufilles, Schlumberger, Maffei	Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas	Banque Populaire Suisse S.A. Luxembourg
Banque Privée S.A.	Banque Rothschild	Banque de l'Union Européenne	Baring Brothers & Co., Limited
H. Albert de Bary & Co. N.V.	Bayerische Landesbank Girozentrale	Bayerische Vereinsbank	Joh. Berenberg, Gossler & Co. Bergsen Bank
Berliner Handels- und Frankfurter Bank	Blyth Eastman Dillon & Co. International Limited	Caisses des Dépôts et Consignations	
Credito e Co.	Chase Manhattan Limited	Christiania Bank og Kreditkasse	Citicorp International Group
Compagnia Finanziaria Interbancaria S.p.A.	Compagnie de Banque et d'Investissements (Underwriters) S.A.	Commerzbank Altenheim	Continental Illinois Limited
Country Bank	Crédit Commercial de France	Crédit Industriel et Commercial	Crédit Lyonnais
Credit Suisse White Weld Limited	Creditanstalt-Bankverein	Daiwa Europe N.V.	Richard Daus & Co. Bankiers
Den Danske Bank af 1871 Aktieselskab	Deutsche Girozentrale—Deutsche Kommunalbank— Aktiengesellschaft	Dresdner Bank Aktienbank	Effectenbank-Warburg Aktienbank
Dillon, Read Overseas Corporation	Dow Banking Corporation	First Boston (Europe) Limited	First Chicago Limited
EuroPartners Securities Corporation	European Banking Company Limited	Girozentrale und Bank der Österreichischen Sparkassen	Goldman Sachs International Corp. Limited
Antony Gibbs Holdings Ltd.	Greenfields Incorporated	Hessische Landesbank Girozentrale	Hill Samuel & Co. Limited
Gfäsbanken	Istituto Bancario San Paolo di Torino	Kansallis-Osake-Pankki	Kidder, Peabody International Limited
Kleinwort, Benson Limited	Kreditbank N.V.	Kuhn, Loeb & Co. International	Kuwait Foreign Trading Contracting & Investment Co. (S.A.K.)
Kuwait International Finance Co. S.A.K.	Kuwait International Investment Co. s.a.k.	Kuwait Investment Company (S.A.K.)	
Lazard Frères et Cie	Lloyds Bank International Limited	Manufacturers Hanover Limited	Merck, Flack & Co.
Merrill Lynch International & Co.	Samuel Montagu & Co. Limited	Morgan Grenfell & Co. Limited	The Nikko Securities Co., (Europe) Ltd.
Nomura Europe N.V.	Nordfinanc-Bank Zürich	Nordic Bank	Den norske Creditbank
Orion Bank Limited	Peterbroeck, Van Campenhou, Kempen S.A.	Pictet International Limited	Pierson, Heidjck & Pierson N.V.
Postipankki	Privatbanken	N.M. Rothschild & Sons	Sal. Oppenheim jr. & Cie.
Scandinavian Bank Limited	Scandinavian Enskilda Bank	Société Financière d'Assurance (RAS Group)	Société Générale
Société Générale de Banque S.A.	Société Privée de Gestion Financière	Société Séquanaise de Banque	Sparkassenbank Aktienbank
Strauss, Turnbull & Co.	Sumitomo Finance International	Suodsvallsbanken	Swiss Bank Corporation (Overseas) Limited
Trinkaus & Buchhardt	Union de Banques Arabes et Françaises U.B.A.F.	Vereins- und Wesbank Aktiengesellschaft	J. Vontobel & Co.
S.G. Warburg & Co. Ltd.	Weisscredit Trade and Investment Bank	Williams, Glyn & Co.	Wobaco Investments
		Wood Gundy	

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October, 1976



\$30,000,000

Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

6% Convertible Debentures due March 31, 1992

Kidder, Peabody International
Limited

Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd.

Deutsche Bank
Aktiengesellschaft

Sumitomo Finance International

Swiss Bank Corporation (Overseas)

Commerzbank
Aktiengesellschaft

Credit Suisse White Weld

Manufacturers Hanover
Limited

Union Bank of Switzerland (Securities)

Banca del Gottardo

Banque Bruxelles Lambert S.A.

Effectenbank-Warburg

Finter Bank

IBJ International

Rothschild Bank AG

Société Bancaire Barclays (Overseas) Ltd.

Société Générale de Banque S.A.**United Overseas Bank S.A.**

Vereins- und Westbank

J. Vontobel & Co.

Wardley
Limited

Weisscredit Trade and Investment Bank

Westdeutsche Landesbank
Girozentrale

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sendout	3,760 MMSCF (1,000 BTU)
as	DM 2.95 billion
total expenditures	DM 232.6 billion
length of pipeline system	3,157 miles

Ruhr gas

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Revenues		2,856,559
Raw materials, supplies and merchandise		<u>2,508,326</u>
Operating income		450,233
Total other income		<u>55,126</u>
Labour	141,012	
Depreciation	111,075	
Interest	67,686	
Taxes	66,473	
Total other expenses	<u>51,926</u>	432,164
Net income for the year		73,175
Appropriation to voluntary reserve		<u>32,225</u>
Profit		40,950



Union Bank of Switzerland

**Notice to Holders of the 5% USS
Convertible Notes 1976/81 of
Union Bank of Switzerland (Luxembourg),
Luxembourg**

The Board of Directors of Union Bank of Switzerland will propose to the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be convened on November 29, 1976 - subject to the necessary approvals - that the present share capital of Fr. 850 million be raised to Fr. 950 million by issuing 170,000 new bearer shares with a par value of Fr. 500.- each and 150,000 new registered shares with a par value of Fr. 100.- each.

It is proposed to offer for subscription 140,000 new bearer shares and the 150,000 new registered shares to the present shareholders at the ratio of one new bearer share to ten old bearer shares at the price of Fr. 1250.- per share and of one new registered share to ten old registered shares at the price of Fr. 250.- per share. The remaining 30,000 new bearer shares created for rounding off purposes are to be reserved, with the extinction of the preemptive rights of present shareholders to new shares, for future capital market operations or for transactions leading to the acquisition of participations.

All new bearer and registered shares shall be entitled to the dividend as of January 1, 1977.

Provided the capital increase is carried out as proposed, the conversion price of the 5% USS Convertible Notes of Union Bank of Switzerland (Luxembourg) will be reduced with effect as of November 30, 1976 in conformity with the Terms and Conditions of the Notes.

The new conversion price will be published after the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders has taken place.

The holders of the 5% USS Convertible Notes 1976/81 of Union Bank of Switzerland (Luxembourg) wishing to exercise their subscription rights are invited to exchange their Notes for bearer shares of the Union Bank of Switzerland

not later than Friday, November 19, 1976.

No Convertible Notes will be exchanged for shares during the period from Monday, November 22, 1976 to and including Monday, November 29, 1976 (date of the General Meeting).

Convertible Notes not surrendered for the exchange by November 19, 1976 do not entitle the holder to subscribe to new shares.

Zurich, November 5, 1976

Union Bank of Switzerland

November 8,

9% Bonds Due 1986

Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.
Incorporated
Banque Arabe et Internationale d'Investissement (B.A.I.I.)
Kreditbank S.A. Luxembourgeoise
Union Bank of Switzerland (Securities)
Limited
Wienerische Landesbank Girozentrale

A. E. Ames & Co. Limited	Alshai Bank of Kuwait (K.S.C.)	Algemeen Bank Nederland N.V.	Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank
The Arab and Morgan Grenfell Finance Company	Banco Commerciale Italiano	Banca del Gócardo	Banca della Svizzera I
Banca Nazionale del Lavoro	Banca Solati & Eblou S.A.	Bank of America International	The Bank of Be
Bank Guzwiller, Kautz, Bungeniec (Overseas)	Bank Julius Bär & Co. AG	Bank Ten International Ltd.	Bank Metz & Ho
Bankers Trust International	Banque Bruxelles Lambert S.A.	Banque Française du Commerce Ex	
Banque Générale du Luxembourg S.A.	Banque de l'Indochine et de l'Extr	Banque Internationale à Luxembourg S.A.	Banque Louis
Banque Nationale de Paris	Banque de Neufville, Schlumberger, Maffei	Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas	Banque Populaire Suis
Banque Privée S.A.	Banque Rothschild	Banque de l'Union Européenne	Banque Worms
H. Albert de Bary & Co. N.V.	Bayrische Landesbank	Bayrische Vereinsbank	Joh. Berenberg, Gossler & Co.
Bedler Handels- und Frankfurter Bank	Biya Eastman Dillon & Co. International	Caisse des Dépôts et Consig	
Carnovo & Co.	Chase Manhattan	Christiania Bank og Kreditvesen	Citibank International Group
Compagnia Finanziaria Immobiliare S.p.A.	Compagnie de Banque et d'Investissements (Underwriters) S.A.	Continental	
County Bank	Credit Commercial de France	Credit Industriel et Commercial	Credit Lyonnais
Credit Suisse White Weld	Creditanstalt-Bankverein	Daiwa Europe N.V.	Richard Daus & Co.
Den Danske Bank	Deutsche Bank	Deutsche Girozentrale - Deutsche Kommunalkan	Dewey & Associates Internat
Dillon, Read Overseas Corporation	Dew Banking Corporation	Dresdner Bank	Effectenbank-W
EuroPartners Securities Corporation	European Banking Company	First Boston (Europe)	First Chicago
Anthony Gibbs Holdings Ltd.	Girozentrale und Bank der österreichischen Sparkassen	Goldman Sachs International	
Göteborgen	Greenshields	Hessische Landesbank	Hill Samuel & Co.
Istituto Bancario San Paolo di Torino	Kansallis-Osake-Pankki	Kidder, Peabody International	Kiebenhavns Hande
Kleinwort, Benson	Kreditbank N.V.	Kuhn, Loeb & Co.	Kuwait Foreign Trading Contracting & Investment Co. (S
Kuwait International Finance Co. S.A.K.	Kuwait International Investment Co. S.A.K.	Kuwait Investment Company (S	
Lazard Frères et Cia	Lloyds Bank International	Manufacturers Hanover	Merck, Finck
Merrill Lynch International & Co.	Samuel Montagu & Co.	Morgan Grenfell & Co.	The Nikko Securities Co., (Europe
Nonura Europe N.V.	Nordfinns-Bank Zürich	Nordic Bank	Den norske Creditbank
Orion Bank	Peterbroeck, Van Campenhout, Kempen S.A.	Pictet International	Pierston, Holding & Pierston N.V.
Postpandiki	Privatbanken	N. M. Rothschild & Sons	Salomon Brothers International
Scandinavien Bank	Scandinavian Bank	J. Henry Schroder-Wagg & Co.	Schwedische Hypothekens- und Hande
Scandinavian Bank	Société Finanziaria Assicurativa	Société Bancaire Banciays (Overseas) Ltd.	Société Gt
Société Générale de Banque S.A.	Société Privée de Gestion Financière	Société Séquanaise de Banque	Spankharu
Straus, Turnbull & Co.	Sumitomo Finance International	Sundsvallsbanken	Swiss Bank Corporation (Ove
Trinkaus & Buckhardt	Union de Banques Arabes et Françaises (U.B.A.F.)	Veritas and Westbank	J. Vöhrhel
S. G. Warburg & Co. Ltd.	Welscredit Trade and Investment Bank	Williams, Glyn & Co.	Wolcott Investments

October, 1976

6% Convertible Debentures due March 31, 1992

Sumitomo Finance International

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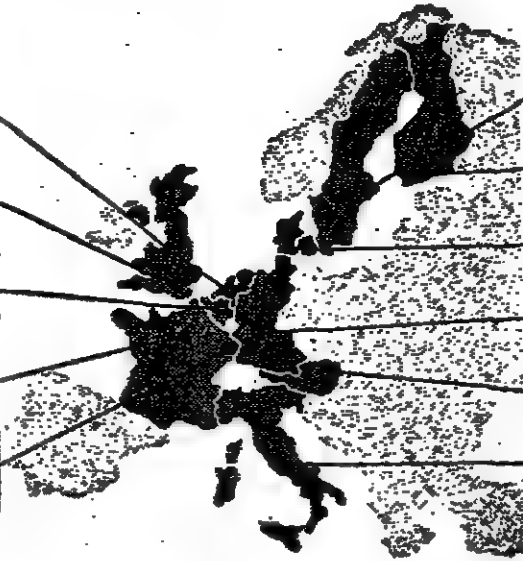
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NEWSLETTER

from

London & Continental Bankers Ltd. and its Shareholders

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Statement by the Chairman, Lord Shawcross

London & Continental Bankers Ltd. Enjoy Good Results

London, July 1976 — In his foreword to the Annual Report as at 31st March 1976, the Chairman, Lord Shawcross made the following comments:

The Year's Results

The Bank's policy and progress largely reflects our assessment of current economic trends. Thus in the first half of the year under report we maintained a policy of cautious growth which we had pursued in 1974. By the second half of the year world conditions to which I shall refer again later, showed some amelioration. Over the whole year our loan book had increased by some 28% over the year before and pre-tax profits were up by 20%. In conjunction with several of our shareholders, London & Continental Bankers Ltd. managed or co-managed international or United Kingdom loans totalling some \$780 million, whilst the number of countries in which we did business increased from 35 to 43.

Mülheim (Ruhr), and have taken a share of the equity in a new merchant bank in Zurich, established as a joint venture by London & Continental Bankers Ltd. together with several of its own shareholder banks and the Swiss Volksbank. The results reported by both companies for 1975 were encouraging and in addition to being valuable investments in themselves we expect that cooperation with both companies will in many ways assist in the expansion of our international activities.

Taken together and in existing circumstances our results for the year may be regarded as satisfactory and providing a sound basis for future expansion.

Our Shareholders

I mentioned in my Foreword to last year's report the great importance of our association with our shareholder banks on the Continent being the leading cooperative banks and including some of the biggest banks in Europe representing between

them over 40,000 local branches. These banks have enjoyed considerable growth and success during the past year, as the "profile" presented in this Report well illustrates. It is our constant endeavour to develop this association and during the past year advantage was taken of many opportunities of cooperation with our shareholders. The cooperative banking movement has continued to evolve and although its original aims remain as valid and important as when they were conceived, the cooperative banks, with their very substantial funds, have shown themselves resourceful and imaginative in seizing the new opportunities which the developing situation presents. London & Continental Bankers Ltd. note their intention to play an increasing part in international banking and will continue to support and assist in these aims wherever possible.

Prospects

We look forward to the coming year as one in which, in this association with our shareholders, we shall continue to make sound progress. It is intended in particular to develop the loan activity concentrating efforts in the multi-national corporate sector. To this end senior executives with considerable experience in their respective fields have been appointed to head up the European marketing effort, and to establish a business development office in New York which will be responsible for North America.

This process of expansion both on the part of our shareholders and ourselves should be assisted by the somewhat more promising economic climate. In the United States economic recovery is continuing at a more rapid rate than elsewhere, but in Canada, Japan, and Germany, significant progress is being made, although not at the dynamic rate experienced in the States. France also has improved but unfortunately in the other Western European countries the same progress has not yet taken place and some are still in recession although some light is beginning to show through.

This is the case even in the United Kingdom. It is true that Sterling has dropped to a lower level than the authorities had contemplated and that this level reflects continuing international anxiety at the country's high rate of inflation. It is true, also, that throughout the coming year the inflationary differential in favour of other countries is likely to continue. It must be said, however, that at the current rate (at the time of writing) of 5.1% to 5.2%, the effective depreciation is not excessive. Earnings induced inflation, running at 26% 18 months ago, will, after allowing for wages drift, probably be at a rate of 12-15% in the year ending July 1976, and is likely to be reduced to around 8-9% in the following year. This rate whilst still too high will, if it is achieved, indicate a degree of success by the Government in controlling the situation.

Unfortunately, a strict control over profits whilst politically necessary to secure the agree-

ment of the Trade Unions to a severe limitation of earnings under the so-called Social Contract, discourages the massive investment in industry which is now so necessary. Taking all factors into account, I anticipate that the United Kingdom's economic position will improve in the coming year although it will still lag behind many of the other industrialised countries, and will not make a permanent recovery until the Government, by reducing excessive taxation and permitting reasonable profits, encourages long term investment.

The business of London & Continental Bankers Ltd. is, however, not linked solely to the United Kingdom, but is increasingly international. We look forward with confidence to the coming year.



LCB Management (left to right) — Brian D. Campbell, Joint Managing Director; George H. Hoffman, Joint Managing Director; Raymond Davidson, Senior Adviser; Lord Shawcross, Chairman.

A Profile on LCB's Majority Shareholder

DG Bank and the German Cooperative

DG BANK Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank with headquarters in Frankfurt (Main), is the central institution of the cooperative banking group in the Federal Republic, the central bank for the German cooperatives in general, and a commercial and investment bank offering comprehensive services to a domestic and international clientele of prime corporate customers, public authorities, and other banks.

Cooperative enterprises are established and operated for the benefit of their members who are both their owners and their customers. The cooperative idea originated mainly in 19th century Germany. Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen (1818-1888) and Hermann Schulze-Delitzsch (1805-1883) were the most prominent pioneers of the movement in this country. Cooperative enterprises have become a major economic factor; there are over 14,000 individual cooperative enterprises with more than 12.7 million memberships in the Federal Republic.

The 5,100 local cooperative banks, generally called "Volksbank" (people's bank) or "Raiffeisenbank", are owned by over 7.5 million members and operate 19,500 offices — the densest banking network

in West Germany and, indeed, Western Europe. These banks manage close to one fourth of all savings deposits in the German banking system. At year end 1975, their total assets amounted to DM 148,000 million.

The local cooperative banks own ten regional banks (with combined total assets of DM 39,600 million) who in turn hold 76% of the capital in DG BANK; the remaining 24% are held by central cooperative trading and service organizations and public authorities including the individual West German states and the Federal Republic, a statutory shareholder. The central institution of the German cooperative banking system, incorporated under special legislation, was founded in 1885 as Preussische Central-Genossenschaftsbank.

From 1940 to 1975 it was known as Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank (DGB). In January 1976, the name was changed to Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank on, for short, DG BANK.

The DG BANK serves the group as liquidity manager and, in cooperation with the regional banks, enables the local cooperative banks, regardless of their size, to offer competitive and complete banking services. Comprehensive financial facilities ranging from mortgages and home loans to factoring and leasing, and from portfolio management to insurance, are provided by DG BANK's subsidiaries and associated companies. On the other hand, DG BANK links the cooperative banking group with the domestic and international money and capital markets. DG BANK and the central institutions of other Western European cooperative banking systems have founded London & Continental Bankers Ltd. (LCB) in London and Bank Europäischer Genossenschaftsbanken (B.E.G.) in Zurich. In both cases DG BANK is the majority shareholder. Moreover, the bank is a partner in BEF BANK-DG International, Luxembourg, and operates representative offices in New York and Hong Kong. Recently DG BANK has acquired a four per cent interest in Northern Bank of Winnipeg, Canada, an institution established through cooperative initiative.

For 1977, DG BANK has announced the expansion of the New York rep-office into a full size branch, and the opening of Frankfurt-Bukarest-Bank AG in Frankfurt, a joint venture with the Rumanian Bank for Foreign Trade of Bukarest, Banque Franco Romaine of Paris, and BEF of Frankfurt.

As the central bank for all West German cooperatives, DG BANK does business with the central institutions of the agricultural, industrial, trade, and service cooperatives representing strong organizations. Their annual sales or operating income exceed DM 100,000 million. The agricultural purchasing, processing, marketing, and

service cooperatives (over 6,700 enterprises with 1.7 million members) together with the industrial, commercial, and trade cooperatives (over 800 enterprises, 230,000 members) have annual sales of more than DM

90,000 million. In agricultural cooperatives the cooperative mark amounts to more than one third of the commercial sales, particularly in the export trade.



LCB Executive Appointment

Roy R. Garham, former Assistant Director, Foreign Exchange and Money Markets, has been appointed Executive Director of LCB with effect from 15th July 1976. Mr. Garham retains previous responsibilities.

CERA — Belgium leading Cooperative Banking Group with 1,000 offices

Leuven, July 1976 (CEGMBR). — With more than one million accounts and 116,000 owner-members, CERA is among the foremost financial institutions in the Belgian private banking sector. The bank is at the same time the largest private savings bank in 1975, savings deposits grew by 20% reaching BF 72.3 billion. During the same period the bank's loan portfolio increased by 26% to a total of BF 85.5 billion.

CERA is the central institution of the Belgian Raiffeisen Organization. Its principal strengths are in the domestic banking field, where it plays an important role not only in servicing the agricultural sector but also in financing the private home market. CERA is a

full-service bank of wide choice of financial services including participation in the Bureaucratic system country's Creditexport. Since the necessary law has now been passed, actively developing a national business with Continental Bank serving as an excellent one of the world's financial centres, London

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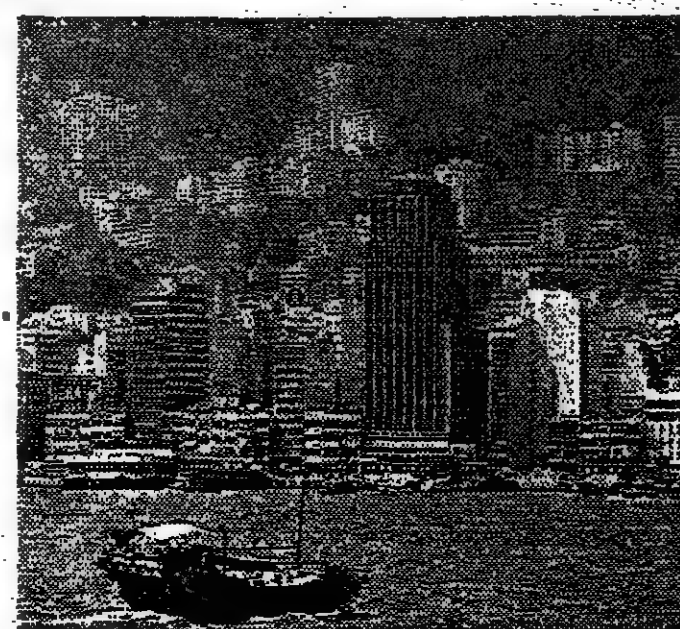
LCB's new head office in the City of London

Growing Business necessitates Move

London, July 1976 (CEGMBR).

— Late in 1975, London & Continental Bankers Ltd. moved into a five-story building in the heart of the City at Throgmorton Avenue. From here the

management directs its international operations with emphasis on loans in foreign currencies and Sterling, foreign exchange, money market trading, and participation in international loan syndication.



Hong Kong where Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank maintains a representative office

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Turkey: alienated ally of the West

By MALCOLM RUTHERFORD, recently in Ankara

IN THE WORLD is a developing country over the years has sustained a 7 per cent. real growth which has a population of 10m., which by and large remained a parliamentary democracy, and the majority of leaders and people at a remain favourably disposed towards the West. The right on the European side, indeed partly in itself, and the answer key.

at least, it was Turkey; the upsets in Western relations in the past years or so, it is no longer ar. It may be too much that these relations have reached a crisis point, but certainly have reached a point.

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upsets have come on two first with Nato, of which was once one of the loyal and unquestioning ally, and then with the Community, of which one of the first associates, or organisation, according to Turkey, has come up with. Indeed the Turkish Government not only of organisations, but of most member states. Nor is much immediate prospect nothing things over. h, though not all, of the goes back to the Cyprus of 1974. Ever since, it seemed in Ankara as if the Powers were queuing to give offence. First it was a which, as a guarantor, was judged insufficiently thetic to the Turkish when—apparently with id of the Greek junta—ishop Makarios was tem-

porarily overthrown. The Turks argue that Britain should have intervened militarily to restore the status quo.

Then it was France and what the Turks consider too close a relationship between President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and the Greek Prime Minister, Mr. Constantine Karamanlis. "The Giscardian vision of Europe," said a leading Turkish politician, "stops at Greece." Next it was the U.S., or rather the Congress with its embargo on arms trans-

time next spring. After the Congressional arms embargo, Dr. Kissinger, the U.S. Secretary of State, negotiated a \$1.3bn. arms agreement alongside a somewhat smaller agreement with Greece, both of them subject to Congressional approval. The betting—not only in Turkey—is that the Turkish agreement will not go through, thereby leaving Turkey to look elsewhere not only for arms, but also for friends.

The outlook for relations be-

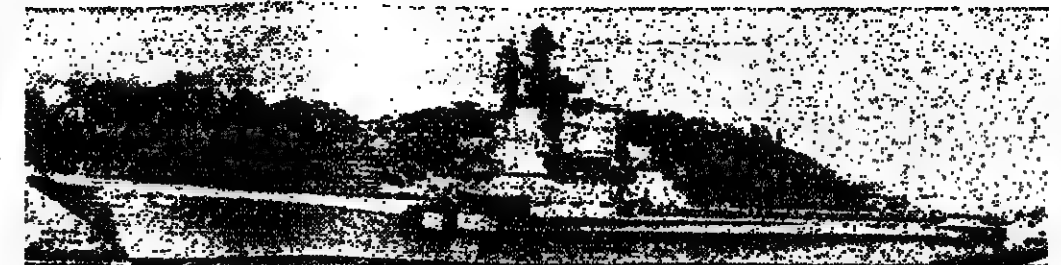
when U.S.-Turkish relations were under such strain. But no one has much idea how to make things better. Turkish resentment of the EEC stems basically from the belief that the Community is indiscriminately scattering its benefits around the Mediterranean, rather than concentrating on countries which should have a prior claim. The Turks base their claim on their early association with the Community and an agreement, signed in 1970, which was in-

Community should turn to them when it proves impossible to find workers from within the Nine. But that has not been offered. Other members shelter behind the Germans.

One of the more illuminating examples of the impasse in agriculture is the water melon case. The Community says it is prepared to grant access to Turkish water melons in principle, but, it turns out, only at the times when they are not being produced. This is blamed on the Italians as rival producers. If the Italians were prepared to give in, they could demand compensation from the rest of the Community and the French would not accept. So much for a common Community foreign policy. It seems likely that Turkish-EEC relations will be frozen until such time as someone is prepared to take a political initiative.

There is some prospect of an improvement coming as a result of Turkish concessions on Cyprus. Some Turks now admit that at least their second invasion of the island in 1974 was a mistake. The 34 per cent. of the territory (most non-Turkish sources say nearer 40 per cent.) which they now occupy is proving a drain on the economy; there has even been some fighting between Turkish Cypriots and mainland Turkey; and above all Turkish policy towards Cyprus continues to aggravate relations with Western countries. But it is a cross, or an albatross, which the Turks will continue to bear.

At least at first glance, the election of Mr. Jimmy Carter in the U.S. is seen in Ankara as making things worse. Mr. Carter is regarded as com-



The Soviets caused a stir in the summer when they sent their carrier Kiev through the Dardanelles into the Mediterranean.

fers pending Turkish concessions on the Cyprus question. As if that were not enough, the country now taking the hardest line towards Turkey within the European Community is West Germany, which, traditionally, has enjoyed the closest relations with the Turks and has traded on a relationship which goes back many years before the Community, or even the Federal Republic, were founded. West Germany does not want an obligation to take more Turkish migrant workers.

The chances of improving relations between Turkey and Nato, which means an effect between Turkey and the U.S., depend on a vote to be taken in the Congress, probably some-

tended to pave the way for full membership by 1985. Implementation of that agreement has run into several snags.

Among other things, the agreement foresaw the free circulation of workers and considerable concessions to Turkish agriculture. Most of the Turkish workers go to Germany and those that are there have become a key element in the Turkish balance of payments because of the remittances they send home. But the Germans—not just because of their own unemployment—have become alarmed about the numbers and want to slow things down. The Turks say they would be happy enough to have the right of second refusal—that is, that the

each other but against the Erbakan influence, which both of them consider a throwback to a more primitive civilisation. Mr. Erbakan and the Westerners, however, have already rebuffed, however, the wholly pro-Western commitment being reconsidered even by the mainstream parties. It is true that none of the alternatives—non-alignment, identification with Islam, or a swing to Eastern Europe—is especially attractive in itself, if only because Turkey does nearly half of its external trade with the European Community and depends on the U.S. for practically the whole of its defence. But what is becoming interesting—to officials as well as politicians—is a combination of the whole lot: in other words, an independent Turkish foreign policy.

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and the Russians for one are aware of it. The Soviet Union is not pressing Turkey to leave Nato, but merely to loosen its ties. Russian economic aid has already started: there is an offer of some kind of friendship treaty on the table, and the Russians will, of course, offer arms if they are not forthcoming from the U.S.

In the longer run, this might no matter very much. Turkey's importance to Nato is mainly in itself, if only because Turkey does nearly half of its external trade with the European Community and depends on the U.S. for practically the whole of its defence. But what is becoming interesting—to officials as well as politicians—is a combination of the whole lot: in other words, an independent Turkish foreign policy.

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Letters to the Editor

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The Chairman, Van Moppes.

Your Lobby Correspondent (November 3) that salary has criticised businessmen who seek to "maximise" by increasing Sterling sales prices rather than "minimise" them, and thus, "devaluing the value of the pound." The devaluation of Sterling should, by now, be a public matter, and it is a pity that the public is not better informed of how a devaluation affects the economy. The devaluation of Sterling gives opportunities for overseas competitive prices. Mr. Healey must have the profit margins of companies being successful in the limit of their resources, and by successive price reductions, starting with the voluntary one of the 1971-72 period, the cost of imported goods, materials, services, etc., it is really hardly surprising that business men are the opportunity to try to up their individual sales and secure the credit and future prospects of who work in them.

that inflation-proofing "civil servants' pensions" should be abolished. These decisions are reported as claiming that these pension schemes are no different from those of millions of people in the private sector.

Sir, could there be any greater confirmation of the "socialist" theory which is playing on nationalised industries than the self-interest of Government "servants" should lead them to distort the truth in this respect? They know perfectly well that the vast majority of persons employed in the private sector are a great deal worse off than they are because of private industry, having no bottomless pit of "public expenditure" to draw on, simply cannot afford it.

When this standard of honesty is demonstrated by those who represent the public "servants" who have their fingers in the national till, what hope have free enterprise and the private sector of rescuing the country from the ever-growing gloom of the corporate state?

Geoffrey Bode, Parklands, 15, Fitzwilliam Road, Colchester.

ity prices are increasing the proportionate increase has always remained steady and therefore neither the speculator nor any other more recent oil price pressure is having any effect over the long term.

Although it may be accepted the speculator has no influence on prices long term it is doubtful if the same can be said over the shorter period. Any commodity chart will show considerable increase in price volatility over the past five years during which time speculation has undoubtedly increased and it would be unwise to dismiss this as coincidental.

It has been argued that an increase in the number of participants in a market has a steady influence but one only has to look at the equity market and the psychology underlying "bull and bear" moves particularly in relation to those who enter the market for capital gain rather than for yields, to see that the speculator whose only object is capital gain must similarly affect the commodity market. This will be said by many to be detrimental to both producer and consumer alike.

Whether or not sufficient evidence can be produced to support the claim that the net result of speculation is sufficiently damaging to justify a complete exclusion remains to be seen. Certainly this is not the case at present.

T. D. Varlow, Fencroft, West Hill, Wadebridge, Cornwall.

become exercises in sloganising by interest groups and persons who claim to know what is best for their fellow men.

The fact is that individuals have their own sets of priorities and in the pursuit of these within a suitably flexible economic framework a pattern of national priorities will emerge from which any one individual may well and should be entitled to dissent.

Certainly, the freedom for all to choose the life of an artist contains the theoretical possibility that the whole population may simultaneously decide to become artists. Not all will in practice do so precisely because of differing sets of priorities at an individual level.

One may be entirely out of sympathy with the resultant choices between art and affluence (if these really are alternatives) and one may legitimately query the role of public finance in determining the choices made, but I would be happier to rely on an admittedly unpredictable process of people making up their own minds than the outcome even of Mr. Benjamin's celebration on what constituted correct national priorities or the degree of affluence required to support them.

Philip M. Inman, 3, Shaft Way, Teddington, Middlesex.

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Mr. L. Kemp

Mr. Shaw's pursuit of (November 3) seems to be the very reason which about the devaluation of the pound, namely the higher inflation in Britain. Also, his it is somewhat obscured asking U.K. export prices in dollars. Since company goes bankrupt of Sterling and generally most of its costs in let's assume initially will use Sterling for existing 10 per cent. devaluation relative to the Dollar ought about/underneath 10 per cent. greater inflation the U.K., then Sterling the exporter should have a by some 10 per cent. is Sterling export prices 10 per cent. increase, falling a corresponding 10 per cent. increase in Dollar price and this export sales—unless had a cut in margins. cent. devaluation thereby offsets the Sterling increase to the U.S. customer.

Mr. Shaw's assumption U.K. exporter territories in the above sequence, devaluations will then in Dollar terms, the Sterling yield compensator his increased Sterling at Mr. Shaw's point that Dollar export prices his greater profit margins, a fallacy.

Inflation proofing

From Mr. A. Furse.

Sir,—You quote (Nov. 3) Mr. Bill McCall, general secretary of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants as saying "Mr. Pridmore ignores the fact that good private employers provide civil service-type inflation proofing" for pensions.

A civil service pensioner who retired before April 1971 will have had his pension increased by more than 100 per cent. by December 1, 1976, and can expect unlimited future increases during retirement in line with the RPI under the present contract.

I challenge Mr. McCall to name one genuine private sector pension scheme under which an employee of the private sector has a contractual right to a similar benefit. He can't of course—the privilege is priceless.

It is objectionable that the majority of the nation should have to pay for a privilege in this way, and if Mr. McCall cannot name a single private sector pension scheme with these contractual rights could he please stop making statements which appear to be terminologically inexact.

A. W. Furse, Newcast, Flintshire.

Who goes liquid?

From Mr. G. Mace.

Sir,—Reading Christopher Hill's article "Still on a bullish track" (October 30) I am a little confused by his reiteration of the reputed fact that fund managers went liquid in 1974, and the claim that they were, therefore, able to be in the vanguard for re-investment in early 1975.

In pre-war days, when the majority of shares were individually held, it was always supposed that it was the "little man" who got clobbered after a bull market, while the clever City operator got out before the break, and so could re-invest near the bottom of the ensuing bear market. Now, however, when two-thirds or so of all equities are held by institutions etc., and the little man can really be ignored, there must surely be some balance as between fund managers who want to go liquid at any time, and those taking the opposite view?

Is not the reduction in the number of small holders probably one of the main reasons for the volatility of the market, and can we ever have again the more stable markets which are necessary for funding industry in a capitalist system?

G. C. Mace, 11, Ashley Court, Finghall Lane, N.W.3.

Welfare and the State

From Mr. M. Bendelow.

Sir,—Mr. W. L. Luetkens (November 3) seems to suggest as an indication of progress that Switzerland is slowly moving towards more welfare. Perhaps the reason that Mr. Luetkens is able to write such a glowing report of the Swiss, their prosperity and their lack of poverty is precisely that there is little State welfare in Switzerland at present.

Martin Bendelow, Centre for Policy Studies, 8, Wilfred Street, S.W.1.

The car buyer's requirements

From The Director, European Division, Leyland International.

Sir,—In the article (November 4) headed "BMW forecasts a car price-cutting war in 1980," which was, in fact, the report of a Press conference at the Turin Motor Show at which executives of the industry discussed the future of the motor-car and the motor industry, you quoted me as saying that "it became more difficult each year to forecast the car buyer's requirements." I would be grateful for the opportunity to amplify this condensed version.

The comment I made was as follows: "Predicting the future of the motor-car has never been simple, and it seems to grow more difficult with every passing year. Consider the factors which have to be assessed—(a) the customer's requirements five to ten years hence; (b) the progress of technology in all its multitude of applications for the industry; (c) world-wide economics and the impact they have on trading; (d) the effect of political decisions in a variety of areas, including taxation, import and export quotas, clean air and safety regulations, investment policies and transport policy, etc. I think you will agree that this makes a little more sense than your own paraphrase which incorporated only one of the four factors relevant to my argument, A. E. Lawrence, Leyland House, 174, Marylebone Road, N.W.1.

Priorities for people

From Mr. P. Inman.

Sir,—I have just come across Mr. Benjamin's letter of October 28 in which he resurrects the old chestnut of "what would happen if every U.K. graduate chose to become a painter, writer, dancer, etc." and goes on to talk about "our priorities."

For all the patrician assertions of politicians and letter writers, the nature of "our priorities" turns out to be rather hard to define, and efforts to elucidate them at a national level will be doomed to failure or at best

Speculation in commodities

From Mr. T. Varlow

Sir,—There has been a good deal of discussion concerning the effect of the speculator in commodity markets and it is hardly surprising that general disagreement exists as to whether or not speculators are responsible for holding prices at artificially high or low levels since there are no hard facts to support either argument.

This particular aspect can be settled quite simply by taking commodity prices over a period of 20 years or more and plotting them in logarithmic form. If then the mathematical regression line is constructed, any particular recent pressure on prices would result in a curvilinear showing that the rate of change of prices is itself changing. This has, however, not been found to be the case and the regression lines are for all practical purposes linear. What this clearly means is that although com-

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G. Bone.

Our issue of November 3 "News" reports on "action by civil servants" the Liberal proposal

To-day's Events

GENERAL
The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh begin State visit to Luxembourg.
European Central Bankers begin two-day monthly meeting, Basle.
Wholesale price index for October published by Department of Industry.
EEC Finance Ministers and Development Ministers meet, Brussels.
Mr. Anthony Crosland, Foreign Secretary, speaks at Foreign Press Association lunch, Savoy Hotel, W.C.2.
Emir Sultan Ben Abdel Aziz, Saudi Arabia Defence and Aviation Minister, begins visit to U.K. International Air Transport Association annual meeting begins, Singapore.

AGRICULTURAL
Wages Board meets, London.
Chemistry in Industry conference and exhibition opens, Wembley Conference Centre.

PARLIAMENTARY BUSINESS
House of Commons: Guiltless debate. Debate on proposed new Highway Code.
House of Lords: Dock Work Regulation Bill, third reading. Health Services Bill, committee.

OFFICIAL STATISTICS
Hire purchase and other instalment credit business (September). Retail sales (September, final).

COMPANY RESULTS
Associated British Foods (half-year). Capner-Nell (half year). Lucas Industries (full year).

COMPANY MEETINGS
See Week's Financial Diary on page 30.

OPERA
Royal Opera production of "Café fan tutte," Covent Garden, V.C.2, 7.30 p.m.

MUSIC
New Philharmonia Orchestra and London Choral Society, conductor Bryan Fairfax, with Anne Pasley (soprano), John Mitchinson (tenor) and John Barrow (baritone), perform Elgar's "Kings Oath," Royal Festival Hall, S.E.1, 8 p.m.

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COMPANY NEWS

Wm. Boulton set for further growth

THE WIDESPREAD interests of William Boulton (Holdings) and the current signs of an improvement in orders, justify the directors in directing all efforts to reporting a further increase in turnover, profit and progress in the current year, the chairman, Mr. D. Fahey, tells shareholders.

However, basic economic factors are bound to play their part in determining the level of industrial activity this year "and none of them is favourable at the moment," he says.

For the year ended June 30, 1976, pre-tax profits advanced from £10.1m. to £13.5m. on higher turnover of £17.1m. (£16.1m.).

An analysis of turnover and trading profit—£1.5m. (£1.3m.)—shows engineering contributed £3.0m. (£2.5m.) and £0.5m. (£0.3m.) process plant, £0.5m. (£0.3m.) and £0.2m. (£0.1m.) heat treatment, £1.2m. (£1.0m.) and £0.2m. (£0.1m.) heavy services, £1.8m. (£1.5m.) and £0.3m. (£0.2m.) and £0.2m. (£0.1m.) loss.

The process plant division had a good year and increased exports helped to offset the adverse conditions prevailing in the home market. Export turnover reached a record level, the most successful markets being the Middle East, Western Europe and America.

The foundry and fabrication division maintained both output and profitability. Following the successful amalgamation of the kiln and furnace manufacturing companies, the trading results of the heat treatment division have been gratifying, says the chairman.

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BOARD MEETINGS

The following companies have notified dates of Board meetings to the Stock Exchange. Such meetings are usually held for the purpose of considering dividends. Official indications are not available whether dividends are available or not, and the sub-divisions shown below are based mainly on last year's results.

TU-DAY
Interim: Anderson Rubber, Associated British Foods, Capetown, R. Goldman, Harrogate, Inter-City Investment, S. Jones (London), Young Companies Investment Trust.
Finals: Middlesex Investment, Lucas Industries, N.Y. Dart, Price Marston.

made in the group profit and loss account. As known, it is intended to change the group's name to The William Boulton Group. Meeting, Stoke-on-Trent, December 2, at noon.

Trust Union tops £½m. at midway

Pre-tax revenue of Trust Union for the half year to September 30, 1976, was up from £485,136 to £539,588, on gross revenue increased from £582,447 to £753,402.

The interim dividend is 1.1p net per 25p share against 1p. Last year's total was 2.2p from pre-tax revenue of £545,083.

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FUTURE DATES

Interest	Nov. 11
Beales (John)	Nov. 11
Berkley Hamlyn Property	Nov. 11
Chubb	Nov. 11
Continental and Industrial Trust	Nov. 11
Dawson (James)	Nov. 11
Feb. International	Nov. 11
Flint Refractories	Nov. 11
L.G.P.	Nov. 11
Secondhand and Computer	Nov. 11
Shellharbour Properties	Nov. 11
United Gas Industries	Nov. 11
Flank	Nov. 11
Arson (A.)	Nov. 11
G.R. (Holdings)	Nov. 11
Merchandise Investment Trust	Nov. 11
Star Line	Nov. 11

Scottish Utd. nine months revenue up

GROSS REVENUE of Scottish United Investors for the nine months to September 30, 1976, increased to £2,586,049 compared with £2,217,453, and net tax revenue emerged ahead from £885,926 to £914,323.

Net asset value of the 25p Ordinary shares based on market values of investments and after prior charges at par was 27.8m. (£27.6m.)—equal to 105p (81p) per share. Where applicable, the dollar premium has been added to the value of the investments and uninvested foreign currency. The amount added is £17.57m. (£13.04m.).

For 1975 gross revenue amounted to £2,058, and net revenue to £1,19m. An interim dividend of 0.5p (0.45p) has already been paid in respect of 1975—the previous year's total was 1.53p.

Campari moves ahead

The leisure group Campari is performing to programme. Current turnover and profit were up on last year, chairman Mr. K. Benschel told the annual meeting.

The group was continuing its penetration into Europe. It was shipping an increased proportion of its Far East production direct

to the Continent. At the same time U.K. production had increased considerably and was helping to meet some of the demand for British-made products in Europe.

Downturn at Reed Paper

THE Canadian subsidiary of Reed International, Reed Paper, reports net earnings of \$2.2m. or 6 cents per common share for the nine months ended September 25, 1976. Earnings before extraordinary items totalled \$2.91m. or 8 cents per share.

For the first nine months last year the company earned \$15.07m. or 53 cents per share—there were no extraordinary items. The 1975 earnings have been restated to reflect a two-for-one share split in May, 1975.

Sales for the first nine months of 1976 totalled \$312.5m., compared with \$288.2m. in the third quarter of 1975, the company incurred a net loss of \$2.2m.—15 cents per share—on a fully diluted basis on sales of \$102.0m. In the comparable period of 1975, net earnings were \$2.2m. or 8 cents per share, on sales of \$104.5m.

Earnings or losses per common share are calculated after taking account of dividends paid to holders of the company's convertible Preferred shares, which are publicly held and are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges.

The directors have declared quarterly dividends to be paid on January 1, 1977, to Preferred shareholders but have decided not to declare quarterly dividends on the common shares "until earnings improve." Virtually all of the common shares, which are not publicly traded, are held indirectly by Reed International.

Earnings in 1976 have been affected seriously by labour disruptions at the company's mills, and by other factors, the Board states. The company's principal operating subsidiary, Reed Ltd., now expects that its share of earnings of the joint venture companies to British Columbia will be sufficient to put Reed Ltd. in a breakeven position for the year as a whole.

As Reed Paper comprises both Reed Ltd. and Reed Lumber Company, Reed Paper now expects to earn a relatively modest profit this year.

Record exports by Dennis Motors

Dennis Motors, the commercial vehicle subsidiary of Hestair, reports doubled turnover and record exports in the year to September 30, 1976.

The company, which also makes municipal vehicles and fire appliances, reports a turnover of £12.5m. for the period compared with £6.5m. for the year ended March 31, 1976, against £2.2m.

The company also reports pre-tax profits for the first eight months of the current year of £1m. (the first time since 1972) compared with £0.5m. for the same period in 1975.

Exports now account for nearly one-third of Dennis Motors' annual production compared with roughly one-third a year ago, and 8 per cent of the revenue bought the company in 1972.

The company, which employs 800 people at its Guildford plant, also achieved another record last month. For the first time, the company's vehicle production reached a peak value of £15m.

Mycalex gets £0.3m. injection

The development capital area of the operations Insurance Society, the Small Business Capital Fund has injected £300,000 in Mycalex and T.I.M. in return for a 22.5 per cent. equity stake.

Mycalex is a private company and its main business is producing small electric motors, domestic appliances, ticket issuing and passenger control equipment and electronic control equipment. Its annual turnover is around £4m.

The new capital will enable Mycalex to move from the production of its domestic appliances and electric motors and, in particular, production of a new indoor clothes dryer, Blow Dry, for which a very healthy export market is anticipated.

Cumulus Trust

Gross revenue of Cumulus Investment Trust for the year ended September 30, 1976, was £124,522, compared with £121,182, and net revenue was £11,540 against £8,847.

Stated earnings came to £22p per 25p share against 0.5p, and the dividend is maintained at 4.7p net. An amount of £19,764 will be drawn from revenue reserve to cover the dividend.

Net assets are £1.41m. (£1.0m.), equal to 27p (20p) per share. The figures do not include the results of the wholly-owned subsidiary Cumulus Systems (formerly Cogan Smith and Co.), which will be presented separately and in full in the annual report. The company incurred a loss of £7,229 against a profit of £502.

The full investment dollar premium reduction of 1976, which is an immediate prospect of a substantial recovery in the affairs of the country or the industry but the general level of



Mr. Bernard Scott, chairman of Lucas Industries which is to-morrow due to report results for the year ended July 31, 1976. The first half saw profits up from £13m. to £21m., reflecting good vehicle equipment sales and better performance from industrial equipment and the aircraft operation. Progress should have continued in these areas in the second half, implying a full year profit of at least £47m.

NCB pension funds to put £0.35m. into British Tar

PENSION FUNDS of the National Coal Board are to put up £350,000 for 10 per cent. Convertible Unsecured Loan stock 1982 in British Tar, the company in which a larger minority interest is already held by Imperial Chemical Industries' pension funds.

The ICI funds have £560,000 in the same convertible loan stock, and have already agreed to subscribe for up to another £200,000; conversion of the entire holding would entitle those funds to over 25 per cent. of the existing BTP equity.

The BTP shares at 31p nominal of stock for each Ordinary share. BTP shares, which have ranged this year between 25p and 41p, are now at 28p.

Merchant bankers S. G. Warburg announce that agreement has been reached in principle for CIN Industrial Investments to subscribe for the £350,000 stock at par on behalf of the NCB funds, provided BTP's shareholders agree. The money is to be used to finance new capital investment "at the company's chlorination plant at Orwalltwistle and at the Cadishead site."

Gresham House sees larger profit

Subject to the uncertain effects of the economic conditions of the last quarter of the year, the chairman of the Gresham House Estate Company, Mr. M. G. Gresham, would expect to see improved profits for 1976.

As reported on Saturday, pre-tax profits last year rose from £238,000 to £258,000. Gross income was £1,000,000 (£992,000).

Despite the difficult time for the construction industry, Gresham House and Cooke is trading profitably, says Mr. Burnard.

The real benefits to shareholders of this acquisition are not expected to be seen until there is an upturn in the economy.

The other trading subsidiaries involved in commercial development and housebuilding are trading cautiously in continuing difficult markets, the chairman adds. The small office investment of Descon Commercial Development and Finance, in the centre of Brussels which has been mortgaged for 25 years is now fully let.

However, in view of the continuing high rates of interest still prevailing in Belgium and the lack of long-term mortgage finance, Descon has made provision against a possible diminution in value of its industrial estate at Brussels Airport.

Substantial shareholdings show that at the beginning of the year, Newhall Trust held some 42 per cent. of Gresham's capital. Meeting, 24, Austin Friars, EC, November 23, at noon.

Raine sees profit rise

MR. M. H. TAYLOR, chairman of Raine Engineering Industries, says that he does not believe that there is any immediate prospect of a substantial recovery in the affairs of the country or the industry but the general level of

Horn of Plenty wir restaurant award

FINANCIAL TIMES REPORTER

THE HORN OF PLENTY, a restaurant in the Devon hamlet of Gulworthy, owned and run by Mrs. Sonia Stevenson, has won the top award, the Golden Plate, in the latest issue of the Pgon Ronay food guide.

The Hotel of the Year award goes to Chelton Glen Hotel, in New Milton, Hampshire—described as a stunning example of good hotel-keeping.

Mrs. Stevenson, who trained as a teacher of violin at the Royal College of Music, is described as an inspired, great cook whose abilities range over all cuisines she covers, eastern or western.

The restaurant was opened by Mrs. Stevenson with her husband, a singer, in 1967, and features a cosmopolitan menu including French, Italian, English and other dishes. The guide is severe in its comments on British hotels in general, criticising the decline in room service and the spread of

self-catering facilities such as kitchenettes in rooms. Conditions in Scotland Mrs. Sonia Stevenson has seen as somewhat better than elsewhere, the Golden Plate, in the latest issue of the Pgon Ronay food guide.

The guide deplores the restaurant prices have risen to put the cost of a meal to most people's pockets, lists some 1,000 hotels restaurants where the limit for a meal for two is under £10, and bed and breakfast is under £10.

Food at the British N Station is again commended an exemplary catering maintaining its all-round excellence. Trust House Forte facilities at Hampton Regent's Park and Hyde are described as appealing.

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Swedish businessmen cancel U.K. visit

BY OUR NOTTINGHAM CORRESPONDENT

THE Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce has cancelled visit to the East Midlands by 60 Swedish businessmen. Officials said they feared companies or agents they dealt with might go bankrupt.

Mr. Alan Whysall, of Wyvern Export Promotions, who arranged the trip, said he had been working with the chamber on a scheme to bring Swedish goods to Britain, to arrange new agencies for British goods in Sweden and to find U.K. suppliers to export goods to Sweden.

Mr. Whysall will fly to Sweden to try to persuade the chamber to reconsider. Mr. Ronald Walton, the director of the Nottingham Chamber of Commerce and Industry, will press the Gothenburg chamber for a fuller explanation. The trip was to have taken place in January.

A rebuttal will be discussed at the next meeting of the Nottingham and Derbyshire Institute of Directors. Mr. Henry Russell, the chairman, said yesterday he thought it was a most serious matter.

This week in Parliament

THE COMMONS	FRIDAY: Southern Rhodesia Act 1985 (Continuation) order
TODAY: Guillotine debate: debate on proposed new Highway Code.	1987: Health Services Bill, continuation.
TOMORROW: Lords amendments to Education Bill.	SELECT COMMITTEES
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY: Consideration of Lords amendments to Bills.	TODAY: Public Bill Procedure. Witness: Mr. R. Mellish.
FRIDAY: Second reading of the Bill.	TOMORROW: Public Lending Right Bill (Lords). Nationalised Industries Bill (Lords).
MONDAY: Second reading of the Bill.	WEDNESDAY: Subject: British Rail. Witnesses: Department of Transport.

lawyers, and on road worthiness tests.

THE LORDS

TO-DAY: Dockwork Regulation Bill, third reading; Health Services Bill, committee.

TOMORROW: Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Bill, third reading; New Towns (Amendment) Bill, Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, report.

WEDNESDAY: Health Services Bill, committee; Industry (Amendment) Bill, second reading; Licensing (Scotland) Bill; Amendment of Teachers (Scotland) Bill.

THURSDAY: Rent (Agriculture) Bill, report; Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, third reading; Energy Bill, Commons amendments.

WEDNESDAY: Statutory Instruments, etc.—Protection of Depositors (Accounts) Regulations 1976. Expenditure: Trade and Industry sub-committee. Subject: The Fishing Industry. Witnesses: Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland. Ministry of Defence. Expenditure: Environment Sub-committee. Subject: Planning Procedures. Witnesses: R. Institute of British Architects.

THURSDAY: Public Lending Right Bill (Lords). Proceedings: Seasonal Committee. Subject: Calling of second Amendments. Witnesses: Speaker. Race Relations and Immigration. Subject: The West Indian Community. Witnesses: Croydon CRC.

Reverting to the Australian scene, I find there is a good deal of confusion over the ownership of Ranger. The confusion may be worth trying to sort out because this big Northern Territory uranium deposit could well be the Government's last big find. The Government finally comes round to handing out production permissions, owing to its all-Australian ownership. I am sure whether Ranger is still 50-50 owned by Peko-Wallendend and EZ Industries or whether their interest has been sold to the peko group, will be the incursion of the Australian

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Notice is hereby given that a General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company, held at the Chartered Insurance Institute, 20 Mark Lane, London, EC2V 7HY, on Monday, December 1976 at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of (1) receiving an account of the Liquidators' dealings and of the conduct of the winding up of the fifth year of the liquidation, (2) fill vacancies in the representatives of Members Committee of Inspection in the winding-up of Company which may occur prior to the date of the meeting and (3) to consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution which will be proposed: "That the name of the Company be changed to 'R.R. Realisations Limited'."

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K. D. Wicke
Joint Liqu

5th-November. 1978

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section
of the Companies Act, 1948, that a General Me-
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E. R. Nicholson
W. K. M. Slimmin
K. D. Wickenden
Joint Liquidators

5th November, 1976

Rhodesia conference hopes grow dim

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

PROSPECTS for the success of the Rhodesia conference dimmed at the weekend as the leaders of the five "front-line" African States issued a hard-line statement which said they now believed armed struggle was "the only means" of achieving the liberation of Zimbabwe.

There is no suggestion yet that the Presidents of Tanzania, Mozambique, Angola, Botswana and Zambia, who met in Dar-es-Salaam, have recalled the nationalist delegations from Geneva. But the tone of the seven-point statement is particularly harsh.

It follows the departure from Geneva of Mr. Ian Smith, the Rhodesian leader, who said he was disappointed at the lack of progress and blamed the nationalist politicians for making unreasonable demands.

Bridgeport reports from Geneva: After a weekend of intensive consultations with the leaders of all five delegations here as well as representatives of the front-line African States and the U.S. Government, Mr. Richard, British chairman of the Rhodesia conference, would seem no nearer reaching a com-

promise on the issue of a Rhodesia independence date.

This is the first substantive issue to be discussed by the conference, has now occupied it for almost a week. Many observers feel that unless there is some dramatic development in the next day or two, the conference could well be adjourned.

An adjournment would formally allow participants time to consider their position. It would also avoid public acknowledgment that the conference had broken down, an event for which no delegation wants to be blamed.

Unwilling

Some people here feel that this unwillingness might hold out some hope of rescue. Whether it does would seem to depend on the attitude of those outside the conference—on Britain itself but especially on the front-line states, the U.S. and South Africa.

There has apparently been no compromise from the white Rhodesians who have stuck by the demand for 23 months before independence. Both Mr. Richard and Mr. William Schaefele, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Africa, have seen the Rhodesian

delegation but apparently to no avail.

Mr. Schaefele, with another senior State Department official who arrived here yesterday after talks with the Zambian and Tanzanian presidents, is to leave for Washington to-day for urgent consultations with Dr. Kissinger.

Mr. Richard was continuing with his consultations last night, when he was due to see the observers who are here from the front-line States, the Organisation of African Unity and the Commonwealth Secretariat.

It is understood that Mr. Schaefele (who has likewise seen all delegation leaders this week-end) is to have further consultations with the white Rhodesians before his departure.

But the feeling is growing here among African delegates especially, that this conference has been too precipitate. They believe that Mr. Smith and his Government are not in fact prepared to negotiate a real transfer of power and that the failure to compromise on the independence date, in itself apparently minor, reflects this all too clearly.

War the only way Page 4

Ministry details suggested cuts for councils

BY DAVID CHURCHILL, LABOUR STAFF

THE DEPARTMENT of Environment has provided local government unions and management with details of where further cuts in services could be made to compensate for councils over-spending.

In a confidential memorandum prepared during the past few weeks, the department recommends cuts ranging from fewer traffic wardens, probation officers and firemen, to severely reduced financial support for bus services which could lead to 30 per cent fare rises.

The proposed cuts are designed to bring local authority spending back in line with the reduced public expenditure targets imposed by the February White Paper and the application of cash limits.

They could be officially confirmed after the Government announces later this month how far it plans to support council spending next year.

Schools

The memorandum analyses the effect the cuts could have on various areas of local government activity.

EDUCATION: Projected over-spending of £38m in the current year and £39m in 1977-78 could lead to the abandonment of new building programmes for nursery and special schools as well as the non-replacement of those schools below minimum standards.

If planned increases in internal training schemes were deferred, the memorandum estimates that 2,200 fewer trained teachers would be required.

The report also recommends that students should have to pay the full economic cost of their meals and accommodation with no corresponding increase in student grants.

HOME OFFICE: Because of the manpower-intensive nature of Home Office services, the estimated £20m over-spending next year could only be reduced by substantial job cuts, the memorandum claims.

By March, 1978, it says, the number of traffic wardens and

civilian police could be cut by 2,600 auxiliaries, mainly by not replacing staff who leave.

Bus services

The strength of the fire service could be reduced by 600 to the level of a year ago and the probation service also cut by compulsory redundancies. School crossing patrols could be reduced by 2,650.

TRANSPORT: Although the department was unable accurately to project the estimated over-spending on transport, it argues that current levels of support for bus and underground services would have to be substantially reduced.

It estimated that £120m. was the "realistic level" for transport support (compared with £174m. suggested by local authorities) and says that this would demand "an increase in bus fares in the major conurbations of roughly 30 per cent on average, as well as entailing the loss of some jobs."

Overall, it estimates that some 4,000 transport jobs could be lost, with a further 11,000 cut from works on road maintenance programmes.

Planning

ENVIRONMENT: About 1,500 workers in parks could be axed and public facilities opened for shorter periods.

The memorandum says that the Government is considering plans to introduce charges for building regulations work, such as planning applications. About 600 jobs could also be cut by reducing work on consumer protection.

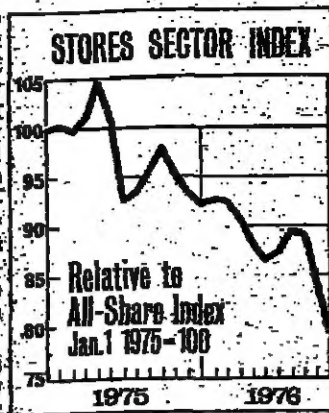
SOCIAL SERVICES: Over-spending of about £42m, including the payment of incremental pay awards to some social workers, could lead to the loss of 3,500 residential places for old and disabled people as well as nearly 6,000 day care places.

Such measures, says the memorandum, "illustrate the serious consequences for the personal social services of restraining expenditure in 1977-78."

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THE LEX COLUMN

Not all gloom on the High Street



It seems a strange thing to suggest as the economic gloom gathers ever more thickly, but there could be just a glimmer of light on the retailing scene. For several years now the stores sector has been locked into a trend of marked relative weakness which has led, for instance, to one of the historically rare periods in which the yield on the FT-Actuaries stores sector index is higher than the average for the market as a whole.

Profits growth by retailers this year is likely to lag seriously behind the sharp recovery being produced by industrial companies. Yet it could be that some of the exceptional problems which have plagued retailers in the past couple of years are being left behind. And in the while economic prospects are poor, stores are not necessarily worse placed than other kinds of companies to cope with adversity, though obviously some areas of consumer spending are going to be hit worse than others.

Just in the past few weeks, in fact, many store groups have noticed an upturn in trade, admittedly coming after a barren period. House of Fraser, for instance, aided by Harrods, reckons its sales growth in recent weeks has been running at 30 per cent, or 12 per cent in volume terms. Even the hard hit menswear chains, which faced calamitous volume declines of a tenth or more in the first half of 1976, have seen something of a recovery. J. Hephworth's turnover fell 6 per cent in 1975-76, but rose 17 per cent this September and October, while UDS's sales growth improved from a miserable 2.7 per cent in February-July to 12½ per cent in the first 12 weeks of the current half-year.

Whether this is Christmas coming early, a flatter by consumers ahead of the Chancellor's threatened package, or just a response to the change in the weather is, however, a matter for more than usually idle speculation. It is hard to find a retailer who views prospects for sales volume in the New Year with anything other than caution, not to say trepidation.

The rising trend of unemployment has run counter to a prediction in the previous edition of Reward that the underlying unemployment figure would remain constant at about 62,500. A worsening of the situation is attributed to more salaried staff being laid off by private industry and to older staff retiring early and registering with PER in the hope of obtaining part-time work or a less demanding job.

The survey also includes detailed statistics on salary levels of different jobs, in different regions and some comments on fringe benefits. It says that in the June-September period the average increase in executives' salaries was 2.8 per cent.

Reward, published by Synergy Publishing, Boncourt Court, Herts SG5 1LW. Executives World Page 11.

think the rise in costs could be no more than 10 per cent. This will allow a decline in the costs/sale in almost all sectors, particularly in food retailing turnover could easily be up at near 20 per cent year.

Profits growth

Another positive point pressures on the gross of retailers appear eased. The Price Cost has suggested that the gross margins came first quarter of 1976, subsequent recovery

and unemployment levels being edged higher, personal consumption will continue to be squeezed.

So long as the social contract holds—limiting the rise in average earnings to perhaps 11 per cent in 1977—higher inflation will bite more deeply into real incomes. Brokers Phillips and Drew, for example, are forecasting a drop of 1½ per cent in real disposable income next year. This would lead, on assumptions, to a fall of 1 per cent in retail sales volume, the drop being concentrated in the second half of the year.

The crucial assumption is that consumers will cushion the impact of lower real income on their spending by reducing their recently very high levels of new savings: from 15 per cent in 1975 the savings ratio might come down to 11½ per cent. But the savings ratio is very hard to predict, and many analysts now fear that the less happy outlook for taxation and job security will cause savings to stay high. If so, retail volume could fall by more like 3 per cent.

Fortunately the same squeeze of real incomes will come to the aid of retailers' cost ratios. Stores, with their predominance of low paid labour, came badly out of the 36 pay deal—perhaps three-fifths of total costs—by much more than the average for all industries. The substantially lower £2.50 award due this year will bring relief. British Home Stores expects its wages bill to rise by around 27 per cent in 1976 but only by 12-15 per cent in 1977.

So whereas total costs in recent years have been climbing faster than sales in the retail trade, the reverse should occur next year. A good many analysts, very long.

BP strike should end to-day

By Our Labour Correspondent

THE WEEK-OLD strike and sit-in by 1,700 workers at British Petroleum's chemical complex at Grangemouth, Fife, Scotland, should end this morning.

Shop stewards from the three unions involved met yesterday and decided to recommend a return to normal working to-day to allow negotiations to be held on the strikers' grievances over pensions and other fringe benefits.

According to BP the dispute halted production worth £400,000 a day. The losses will rise still further as it will be several days before the plant can be brought fully on stream again.

National Officials of the Transport and General Workers' Union and the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers opposed the stoppage from the start and instructed their members to work normally. But the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, which represents the plant's supervisors, gave the dispute official support.

Nuclear exporters' club may admit customer nations

BY DAVID FISHLICK, SCIENCE EDITOR

A PROPOSAL that the secret nuclear exporters' club should admit customer-nations will be laid before a meeting of the club in London this week.

It will be the fifth clandestine meeting of the so-called London Group of nuclear exporting nations since the first was convened at the instigation of the U.S. Government in London in April, 1975.

The aim has been to tighten controls on the exporting of nuclear technology, materials and information to nations which refused to ratify the 1970 Non-Proliferation Treaty.

The club's ultimate objective is to gain acceptance of the condition that the exporting of one single product on an agreed trigger list of proscribed nuclear items would automatically set in train the application of international safeguards on everything in the recipient's nuclear programme.

Originally comprising seven

nuclear nations—the U.S., USSR, U.K., France, West Germany, Japan and Canada—the group has already been enlarged this year to include Belgium, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Holland, Italy, Poland and Sweden.

Some customer nations made clear their strong feelings about the clandestine activities of the London Group at the annual conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency in Rio de Janeiro in September.

The proposal that the London Group should begin to admit customer-nations has been tabled before but encountered resistance from some participants, notably France. West Germany has suggested that Iran might make an ideal pilot customer-nation, not only because it is planning a substantial nuclear power programme but because the work is being divided among several of the nuclear exporting nations, including Germany, France, the U.S. and the U.K.

More executives out of work says report

BY NICHOLAS LESLIE

UNEMPLOYMENT among company executives has been increasing in recent months and is likely to become even worse by the new year, according to a report published to-day.

The report, prepared by Professional and Executive Recruitment, the Government-sponsored employment agency, forecasts that by next January the number of unemployed professional and executive staff will reach 30,000. During September, 21,000 people enrolled with PER—the second highest recorded monthly figure—and at the end of the month the total of unemployed was 70,000.

Reward, a four-monthly survey of the executive employment market prepared by a partnership of PER, Synergy Publishing, the Institute of Personnel Management and the Institute of Directors contains the report in its latest edition.

The rising trend of unemployment has run counter to a prediction in the previous edition of Reward that the underlying unemployment figure would remain constant at about 62,500. A worsening of the situation is attributed to more salaried staff being laid off by private industry and to older staff retiring early and registering with PER in the hope of obtaining part-time work or a less demanding job.

The survey also includes detailed statistics on salary levels of different jobs, in different regions and some comments on fringe benefits. It says that in the June-September period the average increase in executives' salaries was 2.8 per cent.

Reward, published by Synergy Publishing, Boncourt Court, Herts SG5 1LW. Executives World Page 11.

Australia takes monetary action to curb inflation

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

THE AUSTRALIAN Government last night announced a series of economic measures designed both to reduce the rate of inflation and to head off pressure for a devaluation of the Australian dollar.

Four principal moves were announced by Mr. Phillip Lynch, the Treasurer, which he said would reinforce the steady decline in the rate of inflation.

The first requires the main trading banks to lodge an extra 1 per cent in statutory reserve deposits with the Reserve Bank, bringing the total to 6 per cent.

Meanwhile, the interest paid to the banks on their statutory reserve deposit accounts will be raised from 0.75 per cent to 2.5 per cent a year.

Interest rates on Treasury notes will be raised from 7.97 per cent to 8.47 per cent from to-day, and the Reserve Bank will intervene in the money market to achieve a similar rise in short-term Government bonds, as well as a smaller one in medium-term bonds.

In his statement, Mr. Lynch said the adjustments had been carefully designed to maintain a monetary environment in which there would be no fears of excessive financial tightness or financial ease.

He denied a claim by Mr. Chris Hurford, Opposition Labour Party shadow Treasurer, that the measures amounted to a credit squeeze deliberately designed to increase unemployment.

Inflation in Australia is currently running at a rate of 13.9 per cent.

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Higher public borrowing likely

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There is a widespread belief, both in the EEC Commission and among European capitalists, that the U.K. will need more than the \$3.9bn. which it is planning to draw on the IMF if it is to weather the pressures on its external finances during the coming months.

But at the same time, the prevailing view is that there is little that the community can do to relieve major problems such as the sterling balances without substantial participation by the U.S., Japan and other non-EEC countries. Thus, to-day's discussions are unlikely to yield any important decisions.

The main agenda item to be discussed by the Finance Ministers is the progress made on the proposals for tighter co-ordination of fiscal and monetary policy and the limitation of exchange rate fluctuations made by Mr. Willem Duisenberg, the Dutch Finance Minister, last summer. At a more technical level, the ministers will also review plans to introduce a new EEC budgetary unit of account at the start of 1978.

Bullock to back worker director plan

only where the unions asked for them and after a ballot of all the employees, including non-unionists.

The worker directors—to be known as "representatives"—would be drawn from an elected body of trade union members. But they would all be employees of the concern, which means that the only way an outside union official could gain a Board seat would be if he were jointly nominated by both the shareholder and union representatives to the third tier.

The main point which Mr. Heath and Sir Jack are expected to make in their note of dissent is that worker directors should only be introduced on a supervisory Board in a two-tier structure. This is a reversal of

earlier opposition from industrialists to two-tier Boards and reflects a fear of the disruption that worker directors might cause on a unitary Board.

Ironically, the TUC has somewhat in the opposite direction and has abandoned its original preference for a two-tier structure.

Sir Jack and Mr. Heath will also probably dissent from giving the worker directors as large a slice of the Board as the rest of the Committee envisages. They may also want worker directors to include non-unionists and to be introduced over a longer period than the three-year timetable envisaged by TUC leaders.

However, the details of their dissent are still far from clear and are the subject of some

anguished heart-searching among CBI leaders.

These industrialists are aware that repeated public statements made recently by the Prime Minister about his determination to legislate as quickly as possible on industrial democracy means that they may have to live with the sort of plans being drawn up by the Bullock Committee.

Some of them hope that the introduction of worker directors may be made more permissive than the committee is planning through the introduction of powers for a company's management and shareholders to have say in addition to just the trade unions and employees.

Some industrialists believe that they could mobilise support for this among some Cabinet members, including Mr. Edmund Dell who, as Trade Secretary, is in charge of the legislation.

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